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ABSTRACT

The purpose of this study was to determine the feasibility of teaching science via a socio-historical approach utilizing selected concepts related to the social and historical developments of science and selected concepts related to atomic energy. The criteria used to assess the success of the approach were:

- 1. A significant increase in subject matter knowledge possessed by the students participating in the study.
- 2. A high level of student interest toward the sociohistorical approach as indicated by the responses of the students to an interest questionnaire.
- 3. An increase in student understanding of knowledge related to
 - a. science and scientists,
 - b. science-society interrelationships, and
 - c. the atom and atomic energy.

The instructional materials for the study included a) 12 chapters of textual materials developed by the



investigator, b) a test based on the text, c) a series of slides, and d) four selected motion picture films. The investigator, who utilized a lecture-discussion technique with an accompanying slide presentation, taught the instructional unit to two different high school populations during two 14-day periods of instruction. The populations included in the study included 107 twelfth grade students in American Problems classes (School A) and 76 tenth-, eleventh-, and twelfth-grade students in Chemistry classes (School B).

A 90-item multiple choice test, administered as a pretest and posttest to both groups, yielded three subtest scores--science and scientists, science-society interrelationships, and the atom and atomic energy -and a total score for each student. Mean gains--the difference between pretest and posttest class mean scores--for the subtests and total test were tested statistically and found to be significant for both schools. Correlation coefficients of individual scores on the test and IQ did not reveal any consistent pattern of relationship.

Student responses to a questionnaire indicate that a majority of the students in both schools expressed a positive opinion toward the interest producing potential of the unit and indicated that the reading material was at least at the same level of difficulty as material experienced in science classes. In addition, at least 83% of the students of School A and 91% of School B felt that the unit increased their understanding of a) science and scientists,

b) science-society interrelationships, and c) the atom and atomic energy.

On the basis of the conditions of the study, namely the procedures utilized and the nature of the populations included, it was concluded that teaching via a sociohistorical approach is feasible since the performance of the students met the criteria for acceptance.

CHAPTER I. THE PROBLEM

Introduction

The post-Sputnik years have been characterized by an increased emphasis on the processes (methods) and products (concepts) of science and an almost complete exclusion of teaching the interrelationships of science and society. In a majority of the new curricula science is taught in a "social vacuum." The statement by Thomas (1954) summarizes this state of affairs:

The training now given to students of the natural sciences is generally planned, consciously or unconsciously, with a view to the production of professional scientists who will spend their lives at research or teaching.

Present-day science students have been specialists since the age of sixteen or earlier: they have very limited knowledge about the world and of the behavior of man,...they know little about real history, and are scarcely sensible of their debt to the past.

Although there is a greater emphasis on science the percentage enrollment in many high school science courses has decreased while the total high school enrollment has increased. For example, the percentage enrollment trend in Iowa has decreased over an eight year period. As



Troxel and Yager (1968) state:

enrollment over the eight years mentioned [1958 to 1966] with the normal increase in secondary school enrollment, it is readily apparent that the percent of students taking science courses in Iowa is actually decreasing in relation to the expected increase.

These declines coupled with the trend away from socially oriented science curricula have alarmed many foresighted scientists and science educators. They are concerned with the widening gap between science and society and the implications this schism holds for the future. As Hurd (1970) states:

We live in an era most accurately described by its scientific and technological progress. It is a period in history not like any we have known before... The scientific and technological revolutions over the past quarter of a century more closely resemble a cultural mutation. However, the influence of science upon our economy, upon international politics, and upon other fields of inquiry is not obvious to most people [italics mine].

A serious credibility gap, greater than we have dared to admit, has developed between the school science curriculum and the present character of our society. As science becomes broadly integrated into all phases of our culture its significance as a part of general education becomes more important. However, a majority of adults are unaware of or are misinformed about the meaning of science and its influences on the material, social, and intellectual life of



our time. As a result they have little insight into the meaning of problems which plague mankind today--environ-mental pollution, poverty, disease, overpopulation and the management of leisure.

ence courses has been increasingly restricted to conveying a notion of the structure and research techniques of specific disciplines. The curriculum has not considered in any direct way the relation of science to the affairs of man, the actualities of life, and the human condition. The scientific enterprise as a part of general education has meaning only in a cultural and social context.

This point of view is also supported by Roberts (1961):

The position of the scientists in society has improved markedly during the last two decades....Scientists have achieved a higher level of respect by society than at any time in historyAnd yet the gulf of understanding between scientists and the rest of society is huge and dismaying.

He amplifies this concern with:

...science is too crucial a part of the life on this planet for it to be beyond the understanding, criticism and control of democratic people.

...education must bridge the gap between scientists and layman, between two parts of society which,...understand each other so little. Until the gap is bridged, democratic societies will scarcely be able to protect themselves from the danger that arises from the assumption of too much power by those that wrap themselves in the cloak of scientific "wisdom."

The question is, "What should be the broad goal of science teaching?" In a succinct and forceful statement Gatewood (1968) summarizes the thoughts of many scientists and science educators when he states:

In a society that is scientifically and technologically oriented as ours is today, all students should be broadly educated in science, in its processes, its products, its philosophy, and its impact on society.... The single most important goal of school science must be to prepare scientifically literate citizens for the future.

Hurd (1970) proposes that science education should develop a scientifically enlightened citizenry. He states:

The broad goal of science teaching ought to foster the emergence of an [scientifically] enlightened citizen-ry, capable of using the intellectual resources of science to create a favorable environment that will promote the development of man as a human being.

He is primarily concerned with science in a matrix of general education. He adds:

The significance of a science concept for general education is more its meaning for problems of human living than its importance for basic research. It should be vital for the advancement of the individual rather than for the promotion of science.

In conjunction with the discussion of science education (present and future) consideration must be given to the responsibility of science education for the future.

In regard to the responsibility of science teachers and



science educators Pella (1969) states:

As science teachers, our task is to develop programs and practices that reflect our knowledge of the way science influences society, the way society influences science, and the importances of these knowledges to every citizen who wishes to participate actively in making social decisions that are auspicious when judged on the basis that the benefit to be derived will be significantly greater than the risks implied. The management of the environment of man by man must assume a posture for the future as well as the present.

If the goal of science teaching is the "scientifically literate citizen" (NSTA, 1964) or "the scientifically enlightened person" (Hurd, 1970) capable of weighing decisions on the basis of "benefits versus implied risk" (Pella, 1969), then what can be done to secure the proper finished product? In answer to this, Hurd (1970) states:

What is needed now is a curriculum designed to bring about an understanding of the scientific and technological enterprises and the ramifications of social integration of both.

...with a focus upon the broader perspective of scientific enlightenment embedded in a social context, we have the potential of moving school science courses from their present isolation into the "real world" of the student.

A general education in the sciences should make it possible for people to appreciate the worthiness of the scientific enterprise and to use its achievements....This means that the present science curriculum will need



to be changed to provide a wider picture of science.

It will require reordering the subject matter of science, placing it within a cultural context, and demonstrating more concern for human betterment. The implementation of this program should be phase two of the current curriculum reform.

Rabinowitch (1958) states:

In high school teaching, the ethical and moral aspects of science, the relation of scientific truth to the general system of human values, and the responsibility of science, and scientists for the future of society, must be impressed on students.

With these thoughts in mind, this investigator has developed a teaching unit designed for use in guiding instruction relative to the social and historical developments of science utilizing a central theme, the development of atomic energy and its social implications. The attempt here is to investigate whether the teaching of science, utilizing a socio-historical approach, is realistic in teaching the products and processes of science in addition to the interactions of the encompassing society. It is opined that there is some portion of the high school population that may wish to learn about the way in which science and society interact.

Statement of the Problem

To determine the feasibility of teaching science via



a socio-historical approach utilizing selected concepts related to the social and historical development of science and selected concepts related to atomic energy.

Assumptions Underlying the Study

The study is based upon the following assumptions:

- 1. Science and society are interrelated.
- 2. Some understanding of the science-society interrelationships will help individuals to become more scientifically literate citizens.
- 3. Interrelationships between science and society can be integrated with scientific concepts and taught in one coordinated unit.
- 4. There exists a need for a more effective means of learning the interrelationships of science and society.
- 5. There exists a segment of the high school population that will benefit from a socio-historical approach to learning.

Criteria for Acceptance of Feasibility

- 1. There shall be a significant increase in subject matter knowledge related to
 - a. science and scientists,
 - b. the interrelationships of science and society, and



- c. the atom and atomic energy, possessed by students participating in the study as indicated by comparison of pretest and posttest scores.
- 2. There shall be a high level of student interest toward the socio-historical approach as indicated by the responses of students to an interest questionnaire.
- 3. There shall be, in the opinion of the students, an increase in student understanding of knowledge related to
 - a. science and scientists.
 - b. the interrelationships of science and society, and
 - c. the atom and atomic energy as indicated by the responses of the students to a questionnaire.

<u>Definition of Terms</u>

- l. For the purpose of this study, science is defined as a social activity...a set of behaviors taking place in human society (Barber, 1952).
- 2. Concept is defined as a summary of the essential characteristics of a group of ideas and/or facts that epitomize important common features or factors from a larger number of ideas (Pella, 1966).
- 3. The socio-historical approach to science instruction is defined as <u>teaching the development in a</u>



socio-historical setting of certain selected concepts in science which have exhibited a high level of social significance (Boles, 1968).

4. A societal implication is a direct or implied relationship between a scientific or technological development and one or more facets of society (O'Hearn and Pella, 1967).

CHAPTER II. RELATED LITERATURE

The Historical Approach As a Method of Science Instruction

The use of a historical approach to science instruction has generated much interest among scholars since World War II. Some scientists and science historians have been interested in the use of historical materials in science instruction for the "layman" or "nonscientist."

According to Conant (1947) for:

nine people of ten the historical method would yield more real understanding of a complex matter.

However, others have felt that the history of science is of importance to all people. As Cohen (1952) states:

From the strict point of view of the practicing scientists, ..., the history of science may be less essential than, say, mathematics. Yet I firmly believe that the history of science is useful to the scientists as it is to the non-scientist.

In <u>General Education in Science</u> (1952) scientists and science historians such as Cohen, French, Fuller, Kilgour, and Nash, present arguments in support of a historical approach to science instruction. As Nash (1952) states:

It seems to us that a major step toward the understanding of science can be



taken through an intensive study of the lessons implicit in selected episodes of scientific history.

Inde (1953) maintains that the historical approach to science instruction enables the student to see knowledge of the subject unfolded before his eyes and helps to show that science is part of the human enterprise. He states:

The historical approach to science instruction is merely sound teaching since it enables the student to see knowledge on the subject revealed in the manner in which it unfolded before the eyes of the great investigators.

Historical material also helps show that science is part of the human enterprise. This point is often missed when the course becomes solidly loaded with factual and theoretical materials.

In the past few decades science teachers and developers of science curricula have eliminated more and more of the historical aspects of science from their science materials. According to Ihde (1953), this trend is prevalent at the college and high school level. It is justified in the name of progress and by the attitude that the old must give way to the new. In response to this attitude he states:

This attitude is a dangerous one. It easily leads to the belief that only the new is important. However, the new often represents a development in applied science and leads to the belief that investigations must be practical. There is a failure to recognize that new developments have an earlier and more fundamental background. This



recognition is more important than an aura of up-to-dateness.

Chemistry, for example, did not start out with a structural atom as some of our present-day textbooks do. The structural atom is a development of the past half-century and could not have been satisfactorily conceived before that time.

We expect students to by-pass those essentials that the practicing chemists had to master before they could proceed. It would seem that students can most easily master the subject in the manner that it was mastered by the best investigators in the field.

If the historical approach to science instruction is desirable, then how should it be presented? Inde (1953) suggests several alternatives:

1. A random study of history is possible but it is not apt to be very successful. The reasons are evident.

2. A second possibility is the history of science approach...[Ihde discourages the use of this alternative in secondary school] In order to fruitfully study the history of science the student must have a background of science.

3. ...the most useful one, is the case history.

Of the alternatives listed by Ihde (1953) the case history approach to science teaching is most similar to the socio-historical approach used in this study.



The Case History Approach to Science Instruction

Any discussion of case histories as an instructional approach must refer back to Professor Christopher C.

Langsdell, who initiated the use of cases in the study of law in the 1870's at Harvard (Klopfer, 1964). This method of instruction has been successfully employed in professional education in other fields, in particular medicine, social work, and business administration.

In 1946, Conant proposed the use of case histories in science instruction to convey to the students a deeper understanding of science. His proposal was in response to the concern then felt by a number of college educators for restructuring general education courses in science. This suggestion resulted in the development of the <u>Harvard Case Histories in Experimental Science</u> (1957): a series of specially-prepared case histories used in a general education course at Harvard.

According to Klopfer (1964) in each of these <u>Harvard</u>
Case Histories:

the evolution of a major scientific idea is followed in detail through the original writings and activities of the scientists involved....these case histories exemplify and direct students' attention to important understandings about the processes of science, the scientific enterprise, and the characteristics of scientists.

The pioneering efforts of Conant and his associates



encouraged the development of similar case histories for use in science teaching at the secondary school level. In 1956 work began on several preliminary case histories for classroom trial at the secondary school level which eventually resulted in an experimental edition of <u>History of Science Cases for High School</u> (HOSC) (1960). In this series of cases the attempt was not to teach history, but to use the historical approach to illustrate and promote the development of important ideas concerning science and scientists. According to Klopfer and Watson (1957):

...a case is concerned with the <u>devel-opment</u> of new concepts, it not only involves the final results of scientific inquiry, but stresses the scientists who were involved, the information available to them, their search for better facts and explanations, and the intellectual and social climate in which they worked. Thus, past scientific accomplishments appear as part of our total intellectual and social history. Emphasis upon the development of concepts allows transfer of the ideas stressed to current and future scientific efforts.

The HOSC have been designed for use as separate units of instruction within existing science courses in the secondary school. Each HOSC unit is an illustrated book-let, containing historical narrative, quotations from scientists' original papers, pertinent student experiments and activities, marginal notes and leading questions for discussion. The objectives of instructions using the HOSC



Approach generally include the understanding by students of scientists as individuals, of the aims of science, and of the processes of science.

What are some of the generalizations about science and scientists that students may be expected to derive from studying a case history? According to Klopfer (1964), in addition to subject matter objectives, certain generalizations about science and scientists comprise the more significant specific objectives for the several HOSC units. This latter group of objectives includes student understanding of such ideas concerning science and scientists as the following:

- A scientist's observation and interpretations are influenced by the concepts he holds and by his background.
 - 2. New apparatus and new techniques are important in making possible new experiments and the exploration of new ideas.
 - 3. A scientists must develop suitable techniques to make correct and reliable identifications of the substances he observes.
 - 4. Scientists are unique individuals possessing a wide range of personal characteristics and abilities.
 - 5. Science is an international activity.
 - 6. Science is different from applied science or technology.
 - 7. The general state of technology and of the culture outside of science often influences the development of science.
 - 8. Free communication among scientists is the lifeblood of science. Scientists communicate with one another through meetings, jounals, books, and personal correspondence.



9. There is a continual interaction of ideas and experiments in scientific work. Imaginative individuals are needed to provide hypotheses and to plan experiments for testing them.

10. New observations have a trigger effect: they shake up established conconcepts and lead to new hypotheses and

new experiments.

ll. Scientific laws and theories are used to "explain" natural phenomena. A scientific law is a generalized statement of observed empirical relationships. A scientific theory, consisting of a few postulates or assumptions, is a statement of a scientist's views concerning some part of the natural universe.

12. The physical world does not change, but our understanding of it changes as we

describe it in different terms.

However, the intended purpose of science case histories has not been fulfilled completely. As Shirley (1951), who constructively criticizes Conant's <u>Harvard Case</u>
<u>Histories</u>, states:

There is a brief attempt in each volume to place the experiment discussed into the theoretical background of its time, but there is little effort made to show the way in which it grew out of a particular need or a particular situation. As a result, the case histories by themselves at first glance appear to reinforce the nineteenth-century view of science as a series of steps in which the inherent genius of each great scientist advanced men's knowledge by bounds, rather than the twentieth-century view of science as evolutionary with many social and intellectual factors combining to contribute to--if not demand--the new discovery in its time and place.

Shirley (1951) suggests that it is necessary to begin with social affairs and work toward an interest in science



and its impact on society but questions the possibility of a single course being able to integrate science with the humanities and social science. Shirley suggests that this integration should be a balanced whole. He states:

Integration of this nature can be achieved only when general education courses of the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and biological sciences are arranged into an integrated pattern of the whole, with each course of the sequence based on those which have gone before, and the interrelations of the various fields constantly stressed in all...there should be a balance and a maturity in each segment of what is to be a balanced whole.

The Socio-Historical Approach to Science Instruction

In contrast to the case history approach, the sociohistorical approach places stress on the interrelationships
of science and society in addition to teaching for an understanding of the scientific enterprise and its products.
It goes beyond the more limited case history approach by
considering social implications as science interacts with
society.

Rabinowitch (1958) sets a philosophical basis for a socio-historical approach when he observes:

...what is required is not heaping one scientific course upon another, or stuffing existing ones with more and



more subject matter...What is needed, instead, is a careful selection of material from key areas of science, suitable for demonstration of the methods by which science approaches and explores nature, of the ways in which it arrives at its general concepts; of the types of questions it asks and types of answers it receives...so that, on leaving school [high school], students will comprehend the potentialities as well as the limitations of the experimental method.

Science education on the high school level should leave open to every intelligent student the option of entering..., a field of science, not as a bewildered and helpless stranger, but as a traveller who knows how to find his bearings in an unfamiliar country.

[Science education should] provide future generations not only with a general understanding of science as such, but, most of all, with the capacity to appreciate those aspects of science which affect the future of man -- the impact of science on public affairs, on the fate of our own nation and of mankind as a whole. This means that science should be taught not as a separate body of technical facts, or an autonomous system of ideas, but in relation to other disciplines that traditionally mould the attitude of growing generations toward the society and the world they will live in: history, political science, sociology....

Related Studies

Conant (1947) suggested the use of a historical



approach as a means of developing an understanding in college students of the nature of scientific inquiry, of science as an enterprise, and of scientists as people. This suggestion resulted eventually in the development of the <u>Harvard Case Histories of Experimental Science</u>. However, no studies have been reported indicating the success of these cases.

Klopfer and Watson (1957) made an informal survey of high school science teachers to determine the extent to which historical materials were being used at the secondary level. The 35 replies to the survey questionnaire showed a wide diversity in the use of historical material; these range from telling anecdotes and stories and reading historical descriptions in textbooks to modified use of the Harvard Case Histories. The survey also revealed that teachers generally acknowledge the value of historical material in science teaching. Klopfer and Watson (1957) conclude:

The inclusion of material from the history of science in education is not confined to college general education courses, for in secondary school also the use of historical material is far from being a rarity.

Klopfer and Watson introduced the case history approach to science instruction to the secondary school level by the development of the <u>History of Science Cases for High School</u> (HOSC) (1960). Six cases form the core of the HOSC; they



are intended for use as separate units of instruction within existing courses in high school biology, chemistry, or physics.

Cooley and Klopfer (1963) devised an instrument to measure the change in student understanding of science after being instructed by the HOSC method. The <u>Test of Understanding Science</u> (TOUS) (1961) was used to measure the influence of HOSC on students in over 100 high schools throughout the United States. According to Klopfer and Cooley (1963) the purpose of the study was

to evaluate the effectiveness of the HOSC Instruction Method in changing understanding of science and scientists.

The data analysis of the results of a relatively large and varied sample (2,808 biology, chemistry, and physics students in 108 schools) showed that the HOSC Instruction Method is definitely effective in increasing student understanding of science and scientists when used in biology, chemistry, and physics classes in high school. Klopfer and Cooley (1963) state:

they [students] achieve significant gains in understanding of science and scientists with little or no concomittant loss of achievement in the usual content of high school science courses.

Carrier (1962) developed a unit on chemical change utilizing the case history approach. The material was designed to be taught to seventh grade students. Two



experimental groups of 20 and 31 students received instruction via the experimental method but at different times during a six-week summer session. The investigator used an evaluation instrument composed of items selected from the TOUS test. The major findings were:

- 1. The results of the study indicated that the use of history of science material resulted in a significant increase on a "Test of Understanding Science."
- 2. An analysis of the test responses indicated that a general factor was responsible for the increase in achievement rather than any single specific factor.
- 3. Students who received HOSC instruction earlier in the course continued to improve in their understanding of science and scientists,....The students who received HOSC instruction during the latter two-week period did better than the other class during any two-week period. The students in the control group showed no significant change in their understanding of the three themes covered in the test.

Thomas (1967) developed a case, "The Earth's Crust," in the area of geology to be taught to subjects having a low interest or aptitude in science. In this study, the only teacher assistance offered was the reading guides that contained reading references recommended for the unit. This unit was taught to about 150 students in physical science classes who were compared with 175 students who were taught a text-centered unit. The problem of the study was:

To compare achievement in the understanding of science, scientists, and the methods and aims of science between groups of students taught by two methods.



The investigator concluded that teaching via a case history approach was effective in increasing understanding of science and scientists.

Casteel and Yager (1968) report the development of a five-unit program interrelating science and culture. The Iowa Science and Culture Project (ISCP) had its genesis as an experimental high school class at the University of Iowa Experimental School in 1964. The program has been evaluated in terms of the specific goals of science and social studies education, as well as general education goals. Cossman (1968) has concluded that ISCP is successful in improving the students' understanding of science and scientists. He states:

The outcome of this study indicates that it is possible to design and teach materials which bring about changes in the literacy of students with regard to science and simultaneously foster several important scientific attitudes.

Klopfer (1968) and others are developing a new physical science course which contains a major component of instructional materials that consider science and its cultural context. The junior-senior course--entitled "Matter, Fnergy, Radiation, and Man" (MERMAN)--was specifically designed to implement the social goals of science education. The course was first taught during the 1967-68 school year at the University High School of the University



of Chicago. It is still in the development stage and has not been evaluated.

The only study of the socio-historical approach to science instruction was carried on by Boles (1968) who developed a teaching unit utilizing the opposing concepts of spontaneous generation and biogenesis. The unit was taught to three high school biology and one high school social science classes. The results of the study indicate that it is feasible to teach biology via a socio-historical approach utilizing the ideas of biogenesis and spontaneous generation with an emphasis on the social implications.

As Boles states:

The feasibility of teaching biology via a socio-historical approach utilizing the ideas of biogenesis and spontaneous generation with emphasis on the social implications of the two ideas is indicated for the following reasons:

l. Analysis of mean pretest and posttest scores indicates that classes in which students of average ability and above were enrolled exhibited a significant increase in subject matter knowledge related to biological concepts, nature of the scientific enterprise and the work of the scientists related to the biological concepts involved, and the social implications of the biological concepts involved.

2. There was no significant difference between the levels of performance demonstrated by classes in which eleventh- and twelfth-grade students were enrolled to study second year biology and the class in which tenth-grade students were enrolled to study social studies.



- 3. Students experiencing instruction utilizing the unit expressed a high level of interest in the reading material utilized as the basic text for the unit.
- 4. The majority of the students expressed the opinion that the reading material which formed the basis for the unit was not as difficult as most of the reading material in biology with which they were familiar.

CHAPTER III. PROCEDURE

Central Theme

The unit used in this study was based upon the central theme, the development of atomic energy and its social implications. This central theme was chosen as the basis for the selection of subject matter for the unit because Fuller (1952), Rabinowitch (1958), Dubarle (1960), and Seaborg (1966) indicate that it:

- 1. is of scientific and social importance:
- 2. has had a history of development that has been influenced by scientific attitudes and social conditions;
- 3. provides an opportunity to show how science and society interact;
- 4. provides an opportunity to show that the solution of one social, scientific, or technological problem can create new and often unforeseen implications for society, science, and technology;
- 5. provides an opportunity for the consideration of moral and ethical questions related to the pursuit of science; and
- 6. provides an opportunity to show that new developments in science have earlier and more fundamental backgrounds.

Design of the Study

The study was divided into three phases:

- l. Development selection of concepts and the development of instructional materials;
- 2. Field Testing selection of experimental groups and classroom instruction; and
 - 3. Evaluation evaluation and analysis of data.

Development

Selection of Concepts

The selected concepts that were utilized in the development of the instructional materials were chosen during
an extensive search that involved the study of library
materials related to:

- 1. the history of science;
- science and society;
- 3. atomic energy and its social, economic, political, and military implications;
 - 4. atomic weapons and warfare;
 - 5. the utilization of atomic energy;
 - 6. the history of the atom bomb; and
- 7. the concept of the atom and its historical develop-

Appendix E includes a bibliography of references from



which the concepts were selected.

The selected concepts are divided into three categories:

- a. concepts related to science and scientists;
- b. concepts related to the interrelationships of science and society; and
 - c. concepts related to the atom and atomic energy.

Concepts for the Unit:

The Development of Atomic Energy and Its Social Implications

a. Concepts related to science and scientists.

Energy released when atomic nuclei undergo fission is being used at an increasing rate as a source of electrical power; it is the result of many years of dedicated work by many scientists and technologists.

The development of the procedures that led to the release of atomic energy is the result of the labors of scientists from many countries.

The scientist of today is no more intelligent or imaginative than his predecessor but he does have the advantage of a greater amount of scientific knowledge.

Some of the beliefs related to the nature of matter have been based upon direct observations from which incorrect conclusions have been made (an example is Thales' theory of water being "primary matter").

It is difficult to divide scientists into separate categories; their activities are interrelated and interdependent.

Science, considered as an organized social activity for describing and controlling the material world, had its historical roots in technical and spiritual traditions.



Although "scientist" is a modern term used to describe individuals who practice science, the practice of science dates back to antiquity.

Technological activities resulting in important inventions such as the telescope were the result of trial-and-error motivated by the desire to produce a specific product.

Scientists utilize many methods in their studies of nature; there is no one scientific method.

<u>Early scientists</u> employed the concept of supernatural power to explain many phenomena (such as the life of organisms) they did not understand.

Science is directed by reason and corrected through observations while magic is taught by mysterious initiations and is usually explained by myth. The Mesopotamians and Egyptians viewed illness as an evil spirit. The 'demon' theory of disease was the prevalent explanation of illness during these times.

Empirical science is based on direct and indirect observations. As time has passed the observations employed have moved from gross to precise.

The idea of fundamental substances in nature was formally stated by Thales whose philosophy included the belief that water was a fundamental substance in nature.

Empedocles introduced the concept that all matter was produced by the union of the four elements--water, air, earth, and fire--which were not themselves resolvable into simpler particles.

Leucippus and Democritus proposed that all matter consisted of eternally moving indestructible atoms, qualitatively alike but differing in size, shape, and mass.

Early Greek science was influenced by Plato's philosophy that ideas should be based on images created in the mind rather than on observations made with the senses.

Plato and Aristotle abandoned the effort to account for physical forces exclusively and the great influence they had on later thought was detrimental rather than stimulating to the advance of physical science.

Aristotle, whose authoritarian viewpoint of the nature of matter controlled thinking on this subject for about 2000 years, believed that matter is continuous and infinitely divisible.



Aristotle (who was once a tutor to Alexander the Great) led applied scientists (alchemists) to believe that they could change base metal into gold.

Alchemy, derived from Greek Alexandrian science and cultivated with great secrecy, encompassed cosmology, mysticism, and astrology.

Arab scientists, such as Al-Kindi, were patronized by the Arab rulers who wanted to accumulate all scientific knowledge in the Islamic empire.

The scientists employed by Arab rulers (about A.D. 900) made great contributions to science through their translations and summaries of the works of the Greek natural philosophers.

During Medieval times, many scientists (such as Roger Bacon, St. Thomas Acquinas, and Albertus Magnus) contributed little new insight into the study of matter because they were members of religious orders that were advocates of Aristotle's ideas.

Most scientists prior to the 17th Century developed generalizations from mental images and applied them to natural phenomena by deduction.

The scientist of the Middle Ages was usually a member of a religious order and or a practicing or court physician. They had some free time during which they practiced science.

Galileo, the beneficiary of wealthy patrons, presented ideas that cast doubt on Aristotle's works as the final authority in science.

Until the 17th Century scientific and social thought was dominated by the ideas of the Greeks. For example, the Greeks believed that everything in the universe was absolute and unchanging.

Francis Bacon, who served as Lord Keeper and Lord Chancellor under James I. advocated experimentation in science and believed that observation and tabulation were important aspects of scientific investigations.

During the 17th Century, the accurate accumulation of data resulted in the formulation of theoretical models consistent with observations; the observations were not distorted to fit "self-evident truth."

Dalton proposed an atomic theory to explain regularities that were found to exist in the interactions of matter.



Unexpected but fortunate discoveries, such as Becquerel's discovery of radioactivity, often play an important part in scientific investigations.

The most crucial test of experimental findings is whether or not they can be repeated under comparable conditions by other scientists.

A handful of gifted scientists, mostly refugees of Hitler and Mussolini, were responsible for the primary discoveries leading to the harnessing of atomic energy.

Since the start of the "Manhattan Project" the influence of scientists on government policy has increased; in addition, there has been a proliferation of government supported group research, i.e., physicists, chemists, biologists, mathematicians, and engineers—all working on one research project.

The findings of research scientists should be made available to other research scientists.

b. Concepts related to the interrelationships of science and society.

The relationships between scientists and society have varied throughout history. The early scientists or natural philosophers had to be wealthy or had to rely on the patronage of wealthy benefactors. Modern scientists have become increasingly dependent upon national governments for financial support.

The products of science and technology have been important factors in the social and economic development of many countries.

Concepts of the atom have changed with time; atoms have been perceived differently by different societies.

Social involvement of science varies with time and locality. National and international political situations have encouraged the use of scientists for governmental service.

The first civilizations, such as Mespotamia and Egypt, developed along rivers that supplied sufficient fertile land to support large communities. These communities were restricted to these fertile river valleys.



The flooding cycles of the Nile and the Tigris-Euphrates had an influence on the stability of the society and its scientific practices. The predictable Nile made the future seem certain; the science of Egypt was primarily concerned with practical endeavors such as medicine and the application of mathematics to surveying. The unpredictable Tigris-Euphrates made the future seem uncertain; the Mesopotamian scientist resorted to astrology and the examination of sacrificial livers in an attempt to bring order to their chaotic life situation.

Early Mesopotamian societies (about 2500 B.C.) delegated the development of calendars, which were used to make predictions about planting times for crops and to determine the proper times to glorify their gods, to their priestly scribes. The Zodiac and the naming of the days of the week originated with the work of these observers of phenomena.

Theoretical science could grow in Greece because of Greece's simple political structure at the time, the freedom from superstitious control found in other early civilizations, and commercial sea travel which aided in the gathering of ideas.

Science at the time of the ancient Greeks was primarily an intellectual activity of the leisure class; one reason for the absence of experimentation during this time was the dislike for manual labor by the leisure class.

The Romans failed to carry on the Greek scientific revolution because their main interest in science was technological and they lacked the freedom of the Greeks.

The invention of printing by Coster and Gutenberg had tremendous influence on the development of science since the dissemination of scientific information was made easier.

European scientists during the Middle Ages were inspired to utilize scientific inquiry for religious and economic purposes.

The academy, lyceum, university, and scientific society were centers of scientific activity with the university leading during the late Middle Ages.



Society has at times been intolerant of science and the scientist; an example of intolerance for certain scientific ideas by established authority was the 17th Century condemnation of Galileo for defending the heliocentric concept of the universe.

Empirical science requires the support of financial benefactors; it first flourished in Italy, France, England, and in other parts of western Europe where a strong economic structure existed.

Science has been developing for centuries but it was not until the middle of the 19th Century that scientific developments began to have practical and therefore economic consequences for society. Synthetic fertilizers, dyes, and drugs are products of scientific developments that resulted in the expansion of industry and the consumer market.

France was the first country to recognize science as a national asset but Germany was the first country to develop industrial and political strength by institutionalizing science at the national level.

In this century many countries have realized the significance of science and, as a consequence, have encouraged the pursuit of science.

Political instability and intolerance of some governments has resulted in scientists migrating to other countries; central Europe during the pre-World War II years witnessed such a period of instability and intolerance.

German science began to decline when the Nazis gained control of Germany, largely because the Nazi philosophy opposed many scientific ideals.

The principal goal for developing nuclear energy by the United States during World War II was to deter Hitler from using it as a weapon.

Prior to 1939 no regular program for U.S. government support of theoretical science existed; university scientists did not have representation among government officials.

Before World War II research in new fields of science such as nuclear research had not been recognized by the U.S. government as a significant national resource; basic research was not given governmental support.



On December 6, 1941 the United States started the Manhattan Project. This day marked a change in attitude among U.S. scientists and politicians; gone was the hesitation of spending public money on the theories of a few men.

"Manhattan Project," the code name for the atom bomb project, was an integrated scientific and technological endeavor under the direction of the U.S. Army Engineers.

Active participation of scientists in United States' politics is primarily due to the development of atomic energy; decisions in matters of atomic energy are intimately involved with science and technology.

A sympathetic government policy toward science is important in developing and maintaining scientific activities.

Government supported science is effective in meeting the internal needs of a country and, in addition, science is of importance in establishing the international position of a country.

Countries with a limited development of their natural resources could greatly benefit from the services of basic science and technology. Countries such as India and Brazil could benefit from a well-established scientific community.

The diminishing gap between scientific discovery and technological application necessitates a high degree of social responsibility on the part of scientists to consider possible adverse social consequences of scientific investigations.

Social techniques are needed to insure that decisions made by politicians, with the advice of a few scientific experts, concerning scientific research will truly reflect the needs of society.

The first U.N. Geneva Conference, "Atoms for Peace," was a historic event since it was the first time that high government officials of various governments sat together with technical and scientific experts from various countries.

The "Atoms for Peace" program gave impetus to industrial applications and controlled atomic assistance to developing nations which the International Atomic Energy Agency administers.



Many discoveries and developments of science have had economic, sociological, and philosophical implications. Atomic energy utilization has resulted in the need for: more complicated equipment, new metals, and greater machine precision; specially trained technicians to handle sophisticated equipment; the safe disposal of radioactive waste materials harmful to organisms; and world-wide cooperation for its use.

c. Concepts related to the atom and atomic energy.

The four elements, according to Aristotle, are properties or qualities rather than substances; one element can be changed into another by overcoming one property of its opposite.

The 'primary elements' of the early Greeks are known today to be compounds and mixtures.

Radioactivity, a property exhibited by certain chemical elements, is observable when atomic nuclei undergo change to more stable arrangements; this change is independent of any external influence.

Rutherford proposed that each atom is made up of a central nucleus that is positively charged and is surrounded by electrons.

The neutron, discovered by Chadwick, was used as a projectile by Fermi and co-workers to bombard atoms; the ultimate result of this experimentation was the discovery of nuclear fission.

Nuclear reactions differ from ordinary chemical reactions because the nucleus undergoes change; heavy nuclei split into lighter nuclei when bombarded by particles such as neutrons.

The explosion of an atomic bomb is an uncontrolled chain reaction that produces energy in the form of thermal (heat) and gamma radiation. Rapidly moving nuclear fragments account for the remaining energy.

When the nucleus of an atom of plutonium 239 or uranium 235 is penetrated by a neutron, the following events occur: (1) the nucleus splits into two large fragments; (2) neutrons are emitted; and (3) energy is released.



A self-sustaining chain reaction (nuclear fission) occurs when the number of neutrons released by nuclei during fission equals or exceeds the number of neutrons absorbed by nuclei.

Nuclei of isotopes have the same number of protons but different numbers of neutrons; both uranium 235 and uranium 238 have 92 protons but they have 143 and 146 neutrons respectively.

An assemblage of fissionable material and a moderator (such as graphite or heavy water) form what is known as an atomic pile or an atomic reactor.

The minimum amount of fissionable material necessary to sustain a chain reaction is known as the critical assemblage or critical mass.

Atomic energy, one of the biggest scientific, technological, and business enterprises of the United States, developed from discoveries in basic research.

The radioactive decay of atoms is accompanied by the release of heat; scientists realized that radioactive materials could be a source of heat energy that could be converted into power.

The Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) controls all aspects of atomic energy utilization in the United States; it is a controlling agency free of profit motive. This action was preferred over the release of the control of atomic energy utilization to the military or private enterprise.

Peaceful uses of atomic energy cannot be separated from the technology that is necessary for the development of atomic weapons; therefore, concern for control of atomic energy for destructive purposes has preoccupied our attention at the expense of peaceful applications.

A nuclear chain reaction can be very rapid or it can be slowed down so that the production of energy can be controlled.

One of the unique attractions of nuclear power is its relative independence of geography; atomic energy may make the building of modern cities in regions remote from existing sources of power possible.



Nuclear power plants cost more to build than regular power plants because they must include many safety devices. They are less popular than regular power plants.

Nuclear radiation is a hazard to living organisms. One of the greatest problems in research and the industrial production of radioactive materials is not the danger of an explosion, but the protection of people from lethal doses of radiation. Radiation cannot be detected by any of the natural senses.

In the process of radioactive decay atoms release energy in the form of heat and radiation that can be transformed into a variety of scientific, medical, and industrial uses.

Radioactivity cannot be neutralized or destroyed by any process; therefore, the international community is faced with a problem of the safe disposal of large quantities of radioactive waste materials.

Nuclear fusion is a reaction in which nuclei of lighter elements are combined to form a nucleus of a heavier element.

When a charged particle penetrates the nucleus of an atom the result is the formation of a different element.

Ionizing radiation can cause mutations in living organisms other than natural mutations.

Nuclear changes may be brought about by penetrating the atomic nucleus with particles or radiation.

The chemical properties of an ingested radioisotope determines where the isotope will be deposited in the body.

Radioisotopes produced during a nuclear fission reaction have half-lives that vary widely.

A useful reactor control rod absorbs neutrons and causes the rate of nuclear fission to decrease.

Mass that is apparently lost when a nucleus splits appears as energy.

The half-life of a radioactive element is the amount of time it takes half of the radioactive atoms to undergo radioactive decay.



Development of Instructional Materials

The instructional materials for the unit, <u>The Devel-</u>
opment of Atomic Energy and Its Social Implications, include:

- 1. a narrative or text for the student, consisting of 12 chapters divided into three main sections;
- 2. a teacher's guide organized by chapters that includes teaching suggestions:
- 3. a set of 2x2 slides with an accompanying narrative;
- 4. four motion picture films from the Atomic Energy Commission.

The narrative for the student, written by the investigator, is concerned with the historical development of atomic energy and its social implications, and in addition, the interrelationships of scientists and society during selected periods of history (Appendix E). These materials were written with a readability level, as determined by the Fog Index for Predicting Readability (Gunning, 1952), appropriate for students in high school (10th to 12th grade level). The sections, chapters, and general topics of each chapter are:

Section I. The Development of Faith in Science

- Chapter I. An Introduction to Nuclear Energy, Scientists, and Society; 11 pages.
- Chapter II. The Beginnings of Science Prehistoric, Egyptian, and Mesopotamian Science; 20 pages.



- Chapter III. Greek Science The Speculation of the Greeks about the Nature of Matter; 24 pages.
- Chapter IV. The Eclipse of Science Roman, Arabian, and Early Christian Science; 19 pages.
- Chapter V. Rebirth of Science The University, Scientific Societies, and Some Leaders of 17th Century Science; 26 pages.
- Chapter VI. 18th, 19th, and 20th Century Science The Change of Scientists from Amateurs to Professionals; 32 pages.

Section II. Excess Faith in Science by Society (Scientism)

- Chapter VII. From Radioactivity to the Neutron Contributions of Roentgen, Becquerel, the Curies, and Rutherford; 33 pages.
- Chapter VIII. U.S. Science and Politics Merge Political Activities in Europe Prior to World War II and the Discovery of Nuclear Fission; 26 pages.
- Chapter IX. From the Laboratory to Alamogordo The Manhattan Project; 28 pages.
- Chapter X. Science Wins the War The German Atom Bomb Project and the Decision to Use the Atom Bomb; 28 pages.
 - Section III. The Changing Image of Science From a National to an International Force
- Chapter XI. Atomic Energy and Society The International and Domestic Problems Associated with Atomic Energy and the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy; 26 pages.
- Chapter XII. Nuclear Energy, Science, and the Future Some of the Risks Associated with Nuclear Energy and the Role of Scientists in Society; 16 pages.

The narrative includes quotations of scientists, historians of science, and political scientists to give the



student a more personal rapport with the people and their activities.

Photographic reproductions in the form of 2x2 slides of maps, time charts, pictures, sketches, etc. were obtained from various sources, assembled, and used to describe and call attention to important ideas, places, and people (Appendix I). The narration for the slides, which was written for the teacher, was used to integrate the slides with the textual material of the unit (See Appendix H).

The teacher's guide was developed to provide for a uniform and consistent presentation of the unit. The guide, organized by chapters, lists ideas to be considered and gives suggestions for the use of the student text, slide narrative, slides, and movies (See Appendix F).

Four 16mm motion picture films pertinent to the unit were obtained from the Atomic Energy Commission and shown at appropriate times during the unit. The films, ranging in length from about 15 to 30 minutes, are described in Appendix G.

Field Testing

The field testing phase included 19 days of instruction and evaluation. The instruction--conducted by this investigator--was carried out over a period of 14 days; an additional five days were utilized for the administration



of the evaluation instrument, an interest survey, and the student questionnaire.

Selection of the Population

The selection of the population to serve in the testing of the materials was based upon the availability of schools, and the willingness of teachers to cooperate with the experimentation. The original design included a provision for an experimental comparison of science and social science classes from the same population but the desired arrangement could not be found. Therefore, the investigator utilized science and social science classes available from two different populations which precluded a statistical comparison; however, the results of the two groups of classes are presented in this study.

Description of Selected Groups

The experimentation was carried out in two schools in two different communities. The description of the two populations follows.

School A is located in a south central Wisconsin industrial community with an estimated 1970 population of 55,000. The school has a total enrollment of about 1300 Eleventh- and Twelfth-Grade students. The classes used in



the study were four Twelfth-Grade heterogeneously grouped American Problems classes. The heterogeneity in terms of ability of these 107 students is indicated by the IQ range (72-147). The computed mean IQ for the total group is 104.86 with a standard deviation of 13.33. To facilitate the description of the population the mean number of years of science and mean number of years of science completed by the students are listed in Table 2. The students, on the average, have completed 2.58 years of science and 3.25 years of social science during their first three years of high school.

School B is located in a south central Wisconsin semi-industrial community with an estimated 1970 population of 50,000. The school has a total enrollment of about 1250 Tenth-, Eleventh-, and Twelfth-Grade students. The classes participating in the study were four homogeneously grouped classes consisting of 9 Tenth-Grade, 62 Eleventh-Grade, and 5 Twelfth-Grade students studying chemistry.

The students in the chemistry (1) and chemistry (4) classes were classified by the school as above average; whereas, those in the chemistry (2) and chemistry (3) classes were classified as average. The IQ range for the four classes is 100 to 148 and the mean IQ is 121.68 with a standard deviation of 11.79 (Table 3). The students in School B have taken more courses in science than in social



science. The mean number of years of science and social science are 2.95 and 2.16 years respectively (Table 4).

TABLE 1

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

THE ABILITY OF THE STUDENTS AS INDICATED BY IQ.

Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4) T	otal Group
IQ Range	89-131	84-137	72-147	89-136	72-147
Mean IQ	105.46	104.44	102.17	107.77	104.86
Standard Deviation	11.76	11.08	15.54	14.11	13.33
Number of Students	26	25	30	26	107

TABLE 2

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

MEAN NUMBER OF YEARS OF SCIENCE AND SOCIAL SCIENCE COMPLETED BY THE STUDENTS.

	Mean Years			
Classes	Science	Social Science		
(1)	2.34	3.16		
(2)	2.72	3.32		
(3)	2.51	2.93		
(4)	2.68	3.25		
roup Means	2.58	3.25		



TABLE 3

SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

THE ABILITY OF THE STUDENTS AS INDICATED BY IQ.

Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4) T	otal Group
IQ Range	114-145	100-133	105-127	110-148	100-148
Mean IQ	126.42	113.05	115.37	130.43	121.68
Standard Deviation	8.82	10.42	7.65	9.82	11.79
Number of Students	19	20	16	21	76

TABLE 4

SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

MEAN NUMBER OF YEARS OF SCIENCE AND SOCIAL SCIENCE COMPLETED BY THE STUDENTS.

Classes	Mean Years			
Classes	Science	Social Science		
(1)	2.90	1.85		
(2)	3.00	2.10		
(3)	3.00	2.40		
(4)	2.90	2.30		
oup Means	2.95	2.16		



Evaluation

Evaluation Instrument

A 90-item five-alternative multiple choice test was developed utilizing the selected concepts of the unit.

The instrument, divided into three 30-item subtests, included items that were randomly selected from a pool of items written for the three categories of concepts (one item for each concept). The three subtests were concerned with concepts related to

- a. science and scientists,
- b. the interrelationships of science and society, and
- c. the atom and atomic energy.

The items in each subtest were randomly separated into two 15-item subgroups for use in the two parts of the test.

The evaluation instrument, divided into two 45-item parts, was administered to the students as a pretest and posttest. The pretest administration was completed on two consecutive days before and the posttest on two consecutive days following the presentation of the instructional materials.

Student Questionnaire

The student questionnaire was a composite of general information and opinion questions (Appendix D). The general



information questions were concerned with

- 1. the student's academic background in science and social science,
- 2. the average and maximum time he used to read the chapters of the text, and
- 3. the extent to which he read each chapter of the text.

In the opinion section of the questionnaire the student was asked:

- 1. to compare the difficulty of the text to other science and social science reading materials:
- 2. to compare his interest in the material of the unit to other science and social science reading materials;
 - 3. to evaluate the change in his interest in science;
- 4. to evaluate the change in his understanding of science and scientists, science and society, and atoms and atomic energy;
- 5. to identify the most and least interesting chapters; and
- 6. to identify a method of instruction that would help to improve his understanding of the unit.

Analysis of Data

The data collected during this study were analyzed as follows:



- 1. To determine the magnitude of the gains in achievement in subject matter knowledge related to
 - a. science and scientists,
 - b. the interrelationships of science and society, and
 - c. the atom and atomic energy as indicated by differences between pretest and posttest class mean scores.
- 2. To determine the significance of the gains in achievement using the <u>t-test for paired means</u> (mean scores) (Hays, 1963) with the pretest and posttest scores of a class used as a "pair" and the classes as independent subjects with N=4 experimental classes. The null hypothesis in this analysis is:

 H_0 : Classes receiving instruction via the sociohistorical approach did not perform significantly better on the posttest than on the pretest as indicated by a statistical comparison of pretest and posttest mean scores (α =.001).

The class mean gain (D_i) for the total test and subtests were obtained using

$$D_i = (\overline{X}_{i1} - \overline{X}_{i2})$$

where \overline{X}_{i1} is the posttest mean score of class (i) and X_{i2}



is the pretest mean score of class (i).

The group mean gain (M_D) and Variance $(S_D^{\ 2})$ for the total test and subtests were obtained using

$$M_{D} = \frac{\sum D_{i}}{N}$$

and

$$s_D^2 = \frac{\sum (D_i - M_D)^2}{N - 1}$$

where N is the number of class gain scores or number of pairs of pretest and posttest class mean scores (4) and N-1 is the number of degrees of freedom (3).

The group mean gain scores for the total test and subtests were tested for significance by using the \underline{t} -test for matched pairs.

$$t = \frac{M_D - E(M_D)}{est \cdot \sigma M_D}$$

where

$$E(M_D) = \mu_1 - \mu_2$$
, or 0

and

est.
$$\sigma M_D = \frac{S_D}{\sqrt{N}}$$



Since classes were not available for control and the unit was taught by the investigator, a conservative criterion of α = .001 was adopted for the experimental classes to maximize the likelihood that any achievement gain scores that might occur within the experimental classes were not attributable to chance.

- 3. The relationships between the individual student IQ and individual gain scores on
 - a. the total test,
 - b. the science and scientist subtest.
 - c. the science and society subtest, and
 - d. the atomic energy subtest were determined by calculating the correlation coefficient (r) between the individual IQ and individual gain scores.
- 4. The relative independence of the several subtests making up the evaluation instrument was analyzed using correlational analyses of individual gain scores.
 - 5. The student responses to the
 - a. level of difficulty,
 - b. level of interest,
 - c. change in the students' interest, and
 - d. change in the students' understanding of the subject matter are presented in both numerical and percentage tabulations.
 - 6. Internal consistency reliabilities (pretest and



posttest) for the total and the subtests were determined by utilizing the <u>General Item and Test Analysis Program</u>
(Baker, 1969). This program uses the Hoyt Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) to compute the internal consistency reliability. Appendices A and B have the item analysis and reliabilities for Schools A and B, respectively.



CHAPTER IV. RESULTS

The results of the analyses of data used in this study to determine the feasibility of teaching science via a socio-historical approach are presented for the classes of School A (American Problems Classes) and School B (Chemistry Classes) in terms of:

- 1. characteristics of the evaluation instrument,
 - a. reliabilities of the total test and subtests, and
 - b. intercorrelations between subtest scores;
- 2. total test and three subtest mean gain scores by class and group;
- 3. student responses to the questionnaire concerning their interest in the instructional materials:
- 4. student responses to the questionnaire concerning changes in their understanding of
 - a. science and scientists,
 - b. science-society interrelationships, and
 - c. the atom and atomic energy;
 - 5. student responses to the questionnaire concerning
 - a. the time devoted to reading the instructional material, and
 - b. the difficulty of and interest in the unit when compared to other science and social science instructional materials; and



ment.

6. correlations between student test gains and IQ.

1. Characteristics of the Evaluation Instrument

a. Reliabilities of the Total Test and Subtests

The posttest internal consistency reliabilities for the total test and subtests used in this study--determined by the <u>Generalized Item and Test Analysis Program</u>--are above the levels generally acceptable for group analysis (Table 5). The variations between the reliabilities for the two schools is probably a reflection of the differences in homogeneity of the two school populations used in the study rather than an instability of the evaluation instru-

b. Intercorrelations Between Subtest Scores

It is noted in Table 6 for School A and Table 7 for School B that the coefficients of correlation are low, indicating that the three subtests are relatively independent of each other. Since the subtests were developed to measure achievement in terms of gains in knowledge of a) science and scientists, b) the science-society interrelationships, and c) the atom and atomic energy, the low coefficients of correlation indicate that the measurement of knowledge of one category (a, b, or c) is essentially



independent of the other two.

2. Class and Group Mean Gain Scores

It is noted from Tables 8, 9, 10 and 11 for School A and Tables 12, 13, 14, and 15 for School B that the achievement gains, as indicated by total test and individual subtest scores of the classes in both schools are positive, generally uniform within schools, and significant at the .001 level; however, the gains in School B are much greater. This superiority of the Chemistry Classes over the American Problems Classes may be accounted for by the fact that the students in the Chemistry Classes were in effect a select group; the chemistry course is considered difficult in the school hence only well-motivated students enroll.

TABLE 5

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES AND SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

INTERNAL CONSISTENCY RELIABILITIES OF THE TOTAL TEST AND SUBTESTS

(POSTTEST)

School	Subtest a (Science & Scientists)	Subtest b (Science & Society)	Subtest c (Atoms & Atomic Energy)	Total Test
А	.730	.746	.818	.903
В		.502	.559	.780



TABLE 6

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

INTERCORRELATIONS BETWEEN SUBTESTS AND TOTAL TEST

	Subtest a (Science & Scientists)	Subtest b (Science & Society)	Subtest c (Atoms & Atomic Energy)	Total Test
Subtest a	1.000			
Subtest b	.253	1.000		
Subtest c	.184	.269	1.000	
Total Test	.681	.716	.703	1.000

TABLE 7

SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

INTERCORRELATIONS BETWEEN SUBTESTS AND TOTAL TEST

	Subtest a (Science & Scientists)	Subtest b (Science & Society)	Subtest c (Atoms & Atomic Energy)	Total Test
Subtest a	1.000			
Subtest b	018	1.000		
Subtest c	028	.105	1.000	
Total Test	.593	.565	.603	1.000



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SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

PRETEST AND POSITEST MEAN SCORES AND MEAN GAINS BY CLASS AND GROUP

(TOTAL TEST)

Class	Pretest X	Posttest X	Gain	
(1) (2) (3) (4)	33.50 36.92 37.40 34.84	48.26 50.36 49.53 47.92	+14.76 +13.44 +12.13 +13.07	
Group Means	35.72	49.02	+13.30	

Computed value of t with 3 df: 24.20

Critical value of \underline{t} with 3 df: 10.21 ($\alpha = .001$, one-tailed test)

TABLE 9

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

PRETEST AND POSTTEST MEAN SCORES AND MEAN GAINS
BY CLASS AND GROUP

(SUBTEST a: CONCEPTS RELATED TO SCIENCE AND SCIENTISTS)

Class	Pretest X	Posttest X	Gain	
(1) (2) (3) (4)	11.61 13.08 13.20 12.92	16.23 16.76 16.96 16.57	+4.61 +3.68 +3.76 +3.65	
Group Means	12.72	16.64	+3.92	

Computed value of t with 3 df: 17.00

Critical value of \underline{t} with $\underline{3}$ df: $\underline{10.21}$ (α =.001, one-tailed test)



TABLE 10

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

PRETEST AND POSTTEST MEAN SCORES AND MEAN GAINS BY CLASS AND GROUP

(SUBTEST b: CONCEPTS RELATED TO THE INTERRELATIONSHIPS OF SCIENCE AND SOCIETY)

Class	Pretest X	Posttest X	Gain
(1) (2) (3) (4)	9.19 9.84 11.13 9.57	14.65 16.76 15.10 13.80	+5.46 +4.80 +3.96 +4.23
Group Means	9.98	14.57	+4.59

Computed value of \underline{t} with $\underline{3}$ df: $\underline{13.72}$ Critical value of \underline{t} with $\underline{3}$ df: $\underline{10.21}$ (α = .001, one-tailed test)

TABLE 11

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

PRETEST AND POSTTEST MEAN SCORES AND MEAN GAINS BY CLASS AND GROUP

(SUBTEST c: CONCEPTS RELATED TO THE ATOM AND ATOMIC ENERGY)

Class	Pretest X	Posttest X	Gain	
(1) (2) (3) (4)	12.69 14.00 13.06 12.34	17.38 18.96 17.46 17.53	+4.69 +4.96 +4.40 +5.19	
Group Means	13.01	17.81	+4.79	

Computed value of t with 3 df: 27.80

Critical value of \underline{t} with $\underline{3}$ df: $\underline{10.21}$ (α =.001,one-tailed test)



TABLE 12

SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

PRETEST AND POSTTEST MEAN SCORES AND MEAN GAINS BY CLASS AND GROUP

(TOTAL TEST)

Class	Pretest X	Posttest X	Gain .	
(1) (2) (3) (4)	47.21 37.85 37.00 47.19	69.21 61.05 58.50 68.76	+22.00 +23.20 +21.50 +21.57	
Group Means	42.59	64.68	+22.09	

Computed value of t with 3 df: 55.30

Critical value of t with 3 df: 10.21 ($\alpha = .001$, one-tailed test)

TABLE 13
SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

PRETEST AND POSTTEST MEAN SCORES AND MEAN GAINS BY CLASS AND GROUP

(SUBTEST a: CONCEPTS RELATED TO SCIENCE AND SCIENTISTS)

Class	Pretest X	Posttest X	Gain	
(1) (2) (3) (4)	16.52 13.70 14.31 16.76	23.52 20.10 19.81 23.33	+7.00 +6.40 +5.50 +6.57	
Group Means	15.38	21.78	+6.40	

Computed value of t with 3 df: 17.30

Critical value of \underline{t} with $\underline{3}$ df: $\underline{10.21}$ (α =.001,one-tailed test)



TABLE 14

SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

PRETEST AND POSTTEST MEAN SCORES AND MEAN GAINS BY CLASS AND GROUP

(SUBTEST b: CONCEPTS RELATED TO THE INTERRELATIONSHIPS OF SCIENCE AND SOCIETY)

Class	Pretest X	Posttest X	Gain
(1) (2) (3) (4)	14.57 10.95 10.31 14.09	21.47 19.70 18.75 21.81	+6.90 +8.75 +8.43 +7.71
Group Means	12.59	20.56	+7.93

Computed value of t with 3 df: 19.30

Critical value of t with 3 df: 10.21 ($\alpha = .001$, one-tailed test)

TABLE 15
SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

PRETEST AND POSTTEST MEAN SCORES AND MEAN GAINS BY CLASS AND GROUP

(SUBTEST c: CONCEPTS RELATED TO THE ATOM AND ATOMIC ENERGY)

Class	Pretest X	Posttest X	Gain	
(1) (2) (3) (4)	16.10 13.20 12.37 16.33	24.21 21.25 19.93 23.61	+8.10 +8.05 +7.56 +7.28	
Group Means	14.61	22.36	+7.75	

Computed value of \underline{t} with $\underline{3}$ df: $\underline{39.00}$

Critical value of \underline{t} with $\underline{3}$ df: $\underline{10.21}$ (α =.001,one-tailed test)



3. Student Interest in the Instructional Method

When asked what effect the unit had on their interest in science, 39% of the students of School A reported an increase and only one student (1%) reported a decrease (Table 16). In addition, 66 or 61% of the students expressed the opinion that they would have read more about science and its relation to society if they had had more time (Table 17). The report from School B indicated that 87% of the students experienced an increase in interest in science (Table 18) and 67% of these students reported that they would have read more about the science-society relationship if they had had more time (Table 19).

In both schools the subject matter that was given a high rating in terms of interest was that concerned with the activities of people--scientists, politicians, and military men--and that given a low rating was related to the history of empires and nations. It is noted from Tables 20 and 21 that Chapters VII, IX, and X were rated by the students of both schools as most interesting and Chapter VII (the activities leading to the development of the atom bomb) by School B as most interesting. The chapters rated as least interesting by both groups were I, II, IV, V, and VIII. Group A also rated Chapter III as least interesting.

Examinations of Tables 22 and 23 reveal a lack of agreement among the two groups of students relative to



"who would benefit from this approach;" however, they did agree that a population exists. Of interest is the fact that 44% of the students from the American Problems Classes and only 9% of the students in Chemistry Classes expressed the opinion that the course should be for students interested in a career in science. The students from the Chemistry Classes seemed to generally agree that all students would benefit from this kind of instruction (Table 23).

A similar difference of opinion is noted when responses to the question, "Would you be interested in taking a course utilizing the socio-historical approach?" are tablulated, Tables 24 and 25; 91% of the students in Chemistry Classes and only 51% of the students in American Problems Classes indicate that they would enroll in the course if it were available.

TABLE 16
SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO:
"WHAT EFFECT HAS THIS UNIT HAD ON YOUR INTEREST IN SCIENCE?"

		Numbe	er and Perc	ent *	
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total
Increased Interest Greatly	1 (04)	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	1 (01)
Increased Interest Somewhat	4 (15)	10 (40)	10 (33)	17 (66)	41 (38)
No Change	21 (81)	15 (60)	19 (63)	9 (34)	64 (59)
Decreased Interest Somewhat	0 ()	0 ()	1 (03)	0 ()	1 (01)
Decreased Interest Greatly	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()
Total	26 (99)	25(100)	30 (99)	26(100)	107 (99)

TABLE 17
SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO:
"IF YOU HAD MORE TIME WOULD YOU HAVE READ MORE
ABOUT SCIENCE AND ITS RELATION TO SOCIETY?"

		Number and Percent*					
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total		
Yes No	12 (46) 14 (54)	15 (60) 10 (40)	22 (73) 8 (27)	16 (62) 10 (38)	66 (61) 41 (39)		
Total	26(100)	25(100)	30(100)	26(100)	107(100)		

^{*}Percentages are in parentheses.



TABLE 18

SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO:
"WHAT EFFECT HAS THIS UNIT HAD ON YOUR INTEREST IN SCIENCE?"

	Number and Percent*						
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total		
Increased Interest Greatly	3 (16)	3 (15)	3 (19)	1 (05)	10 (13)		
Increased Interest Somewhat No Change	15 (79) 1 (05)	15 (75) 2 (10)	11 (69) 2 (12)	16 (75) 5 (20)	56 (74) 10 (13)		
Decreased Interest Somewhat	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()		
Decreased Interest Greatly	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()		
Total	19(100)	20(100)	16(100)	21(100)	76(100)		

TABLE 19
SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO:
"IF YOU HAD MORE TIME WOULD YOU HAVE READ MORE
ABOUT SCIENCE AND ITS RELATION TO SOCIETY?"

		Number and Percent*					
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total		
Yes No	16 (84) 3 (16)	9(45) 11(55)	14(87) 2(13)	12 (57) 9 (43)	51 (67) 25 (33)		
Total	19(100)	20(100)	16(100)	21(100)	76(100)		

^{*}Percentages are in parentheses.



TABLE 20

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

"WHICH CHAPTER WAS MOST INTERESTING AND LEAST INTERESTING TO YOU?"

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III	IV	^	ΙΛ	VII	VIII	IX	×	IX	IIX	Totals
6	3	2	2	25	3	22	19	5	L	107
(60)	(02)	(01)	(01)	(24)	(02)	(21)	(61)	(04)	(01)	(66)
14	11	11	9	S	13	4	8	9	4	107
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TABLE 21

SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

"WHICH CHAPTER WAS MOST INTERESTING AND LEAST INTERESTING TO YOU?"

		Ĩ				2	Number	and Per	Percent*		•		
Chapter	I	II	III	ΛI	Λ	VI	VII	VIII	IX	×	ΙX	XII	Totals
Most	1	ຮຸ	2	2	2	0	12,	1,	29,	20,	1,000	3	92
Interesting	(02)	(04)	(03)	(03)	(03)	()	(12)	(05)	(37)	(22)	(02)	(04)	(100)
Least	17	10	9	11	01	ω	-	11	-	0	4	ເລ	92
Interesting	(14)	(13)	(80)	(14)	(13)	(10)	(02)	(14)	(02)	()	(02)	(04)	(66)
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*Percentages are in parentheses.

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "WHO WOULD BENEFIT FROM SCIENCE INSTRUCTION UTILIZING THIS TYPE OF APPROACH?"

		Num	ber and Pe	rcent*	
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total
Science Career Students	15 (58)	9 (36)	11 (37)	13 (50)	48 (44)
Non-Science Career Students	3 (11)	3 (12)	3 (10)	1 (04)	10 (11)
All Students	8 (30)	12 (48)	16 (53)	12 (46)	48 (44)
No High School Students	0 ()	1 (04)	0 ()	0 ()	1 (01)
Total	26 (99)	25(100)	30(100)	26(100)	107(100)

TABLE 23
SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "WHO WOULD BENEFIT FROM SCIENCE INSTRUCTION UTILIZING THIS TYPE OF APPROACH?"

		Num	ber and Pe	rcent*	
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total
Science Career Students	1 (05)	2 (10)	2 (12)	2 (10)	7 (09)
Non-Science Career Students	1 (05)	3 (15)	1 (06)	2 (10)	7 (09)
All Students	17 (90)	15 (75)	13 (81)	17 (80)	62 (82)
No High School Students	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()
Total	19(100)	20(100)	16 (99)	21(100)	76(100)

^{*}Percentages are in parentheses.



TABLE 24

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: " IF A COURSE UTILIZING THE SOCIO-HISTORICAL APPROACH WERE OFFERED WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN TAKING IT?"

		Num	ber and Pe	rcent*	
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total
Yes	13 (50)	11 (44)	17 (57)	13 (50)	54 (51)
No	13 (50)	14 (56)	13 (43)	13 (50)	53 (49)
Total	26(100)	25(100)	30(100)	26(100)	107(100)

TABLE 25
SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "IF A COURSE UTILIZING THE SOCIO-HISTORICAL APPROACH WERE OFFERED WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN TAKING IT?"

		Num	ber and Pe	rcent*	
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total
Yes No	18 (95) 1 (05)	17 (85) 3 (15)	15 (94) 1 (06)	19 (90) 2 (10)	69 (91) 7 (09)
Total	19(100)	20(100)	16(100)	21(100)	76(100)



^{*}Percentages are in parentheses.

4. Effect of the Unit Upon Student Understanding

Note from Tables 26 and 27 that in School A 91% and in School B 99% of the students expressed the opinion that the unit had increased their understanding of science and scientists. In addition, 83% of the students in American Problems Classes and 99% in Chemistry Classes reported an increase in understanding of the interrelationships of science and society (Tables 28 and 29). This same positive opinion persists relative to gain in understanding of the atom and atomic energy; 91% of School A and 100% of School B expressed a favorable response (Tables 30 and 31).



TABLE 26
SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "WHAT EFFECT HAS THIS UNIT HAD ON YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF SCIENCE AND SCIENTISTS?"

		Num	ber and Pe	rcent*	
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total
Increased Greatly	7 (27)	7 (28)	10 (33)	6 (23)	30 (29)
Increased Somewhat	15 (58)	15 (60)	16 (53)	20 (77)	66 (62)
No Im- provement	3 (11)	2 (08)	2 (07)	0 ()	7 (06)
Confused Me	1 (04)	1 (04)	2 (07)	0 ()	4 (03)
Total	26(100)	25(100)	30(100)	26(100)	107(100)

TABLE 27

SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "WHAT EFFECT HAS THIS UNIT HAD ON YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF SCIENCE AND SCIENTISTS?"

		Num	ber and Pe	rcent*	
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total
Increased Greatly	10 (52)	10 (50)	9 (56)	8 (38)	37 (49)
Increased Somewhat	9 (47)	9 (45)	7 (44)	13 (62)	38 (50)
No Im- provement	0 ()	1 (05)	0 ()	··· o ()	1 (01)
Confused Me	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()
Total	19 (99)	20(100)	16(100)	21(100)	76(100)

^{*}Percentages are in parentheses.



SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO:
"WHAT EFFECT HAS THIS UNIT HAD ON YOUR UNDERSTANDING
OF THE INTERRELATIONSHIPS OF SCIENCE AND SOCIETY?"

		Num	ber and Pe	rcent*	
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total
Increased Greatly	7 (27)	2 (08)	4 (13)	3 (11)	17 (16)
Increased Somewhat	16 (62)	16 (64)	23 (76)	18 (70)	71 (67)
No Im- provement	3 (11)	6 (24)	2 (07)	5 (19)	17 (16)
Confused Me	0 ()	1 (04)	1 (03)	0 ()	2 (01)
Total	26(100)	25(100)	30(100)	26(100)	107(100)

TABLE 29 SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO:
"WHAT EFFECT HAS THIS UNIT HAD ON YOUR UNDERSTANDING
OF THE INTERRELATIONSHIPS OF SCIENCE AND SOCIETY?"

•		Nu	mber and P	ercent*	
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total
Increased Greatly	14 (74)	7 (35)	12 (75)	8 (38)	41 (49)
Increased Somewhat	5 (26)	13 (65)	4 (25)	13 (62)	35 (50)
No Im- provement	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()
Confused Me	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()
Total	10(100)	20(100)	16(100)	21(100)	76(100)

^{*}Percentages are in parentheses.



TABLE 30

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "WHAT EFFECT HAS THIS UNIT HAD ON YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE ATOM AND ATOMIC ENERGY?"

		Num	ber and Per	rcent*	•
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total
Increased Greatly	11 (42)	7 (28)	7 (23)	12 (46)	37 (34)
Increased Somewhat	13 (50)	16 (64)	19 (63)	13 (05)	61 (57)
No Im- provement	2 (08)	2 (08)	3 (10)	1 (04)	8 (08)
Confused Me	0 ()	0 ()	1 (03)	0 ()	1 (01)
Total	26(100)	25(100)	30 (99)	26(100)	107(100)

TABLE 31
SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "WHAT EFFECT HAS THIS UNIT HAD ON YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE ATOM AND ATOMIC ENERGY?"

		Numi	ber and Per	cent*	
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total
Increased Greatly	14 (74)	16 (80)	12 (75)	12 (57)	54 (71)
Increased Somewhat	5 (26)	4 (20)	4 (25)	9 (43)	22 (29)
No Im- provement.	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()
Confused Me	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	C ()
Total	19(100)	20(100)	16(100)	21(100)	76(100)

^{*}Percentages are in parentheses.



5. Other Questionnaire Results

a. Time Devoted to Reading the Chapters

Although the average amount of time the individual student devoted to reading the chapters generally ranged from less than hour to 1 hour per day (one student reported hours), a majority of the students reported hour or less (Tables 32 and 33). It is noted from Tables 34 and 35 that the maximum amount of time spent studying any one chapter outside of class was hours or less with most students in both schools reporting 1 hour or less. This variation was probably due in part to the fact that some chapters were longer than others since most students reported that they had read most or all of each chapter (Tables 36 and 37).

As shown in Tables 36 and 37 the number of students that read most or all the chapters decreased but this number remained generally consistent after Chapter V. Since the students expressed a high level of interest in the unit, the decrease in the number of students reading the text materials is probably a reflection of the rapid pace at which the unit was presented—12 chapters over a period of 14 days. It is of interest to note, however, that some of the students apparently gained in subject matter knowledge from class participation only.



TABLE 32
SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "ON THE AVERAGE, HOW MUCH TIME DID YOU SPEND READING EACH CHAPTER?"

	Number and Percent*						
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total		
Less than							
½ hour	9 (34)	6 (24)	11 (37)	9 (34)	35 (33)		
以 hour	12 (46)	7 (28)	11 (37)	13 (50)	43 (40)		
1 hour	5 (20)	12 (48)	7 (23)	4 (16)	28 (26)		
1½ hours	0 ()	0 ()	1 (03)	0 ()	1 (01)		
2 hours or more	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()		
Total	26(100)	25(100)	30(100)	26(100)	107(100)		

TABLE 33
SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "ON THE AVERAGE, HOW MUCH TIME DID YOU SPEND READING EACH CHAPTER?"

	Number and Percent*						
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total		
Less than % hour	1 (05)	3 (15)	0 ()	3 (14)	7 (09)		
½ hour	13 (58)	12 (60)	13 (81)	17 (81)	55 (72)		
l hour	5 (26) 0 ()	5 (25) 0 ()	3 (19)	1 (05) 0 ()	14 (19) 0 ()		
2 hours or more	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()		
Total	19 (99)	20(100)	16(100)	21 (99)	76(100)		

^{*}Percentages are in parentheses.



TABLE 34

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "WHAT WAS THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF TIME YOU SPENT READING ANY ONE CHAPTER?"

-•	Number and Percent*						
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total		
Less than % hour % hour 1 hour 1% hours	3 (11) 9 (34) 11 (42) 2 (08)	2 (08) 3 (12) 8 (32) 10 (40)	6 (20) 10 (33) 38 (27) 6 (20)	4 (15) 7 (27) 13 (50) 2 (08)	14 (13) 30 (28) 40 (38) 20 (19)		
2 hours or more	1 (04)	2 (08)	0 ()	0 ()	3 (02)		
Total	26 (99)	25(100)	30(100)	26(100)	107(100)		

TABLE 35
SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "WHAT WAS THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF TIME YOU SPENT READING ANY ONE CHAPTER?"

	Number and Percent*						
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total		
Less than % hour % hour 1 hour 1% hours	0 () 1 (05) 11 (58) 7 (37)	0 () 3 (15) 12 (60) 5 (25)	0 () 2 (12) 9 (56) 5 (31)	0 () 1 (05) 19 (90) 1 (05)	0 () 7 (09) 51 (67) 18 (24)		
2 hours or more	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()		

^{*}Percentages are in parentheses.



TABLE 36

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "TO WHAT EXTENT DID YOU READ EACH OF THE CHAPTERS?" (CHECK ONE FOR EACH CHAPTER)

		Number and	i Percent*	
Chapter	All	Most	Some	None
I	81 (75)	13 (12)	15 (14)	0 ()
II	65 (60)	24 (22)	18 (17)	0 ()
III	57 (53)	26 (24)	24 (22)	0 ()
IV	50 (46)	30 (28)	24 (22)	3 (02)
V	45 (42)	28 (26)	31 (28)	6 (05)
VI	43 (40)	26 (24)	32 (29)	6 (05)
VII	43 (40)	31 (28)	29 (27)	4 (03)
VIII	44 (41)	26 (24)	27 (25)	10 (09)
IX	45 (42)	32 (29)	28 (26)	4 (03)
X	43 (40)	26 (24)	30 (28)	8 (07)
ΧI	44 (41)	25 (23)	28 (26)	10 (09)
XII	42 (39)	27 (25)	25 (23)	13 (12)

^{*}Percentages are in parentheses.



TABLE 37
SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "TO WHAT EXTENT DID YOU READ EACH OF THE CHAPTERS?" (CHECK ONE FOR EACH CHAPTER)

.		Number and		
Chapter	All	Most	Some	None
I	70 (92)	5 (06)	1 (02)	0 ()
II	69 (91)	6 (08)	1 (02)	0 ()
III	65 (85)	10 (13)	1 (02)	0 ()
IV	56 (74)	17 (22)	3 (04)	0 ()
V	52 (68)	20 (26)	3 (04)	1 (02)
VI	53 (70)	19 (25)	4 (05)	0 ()
VII	56 (74)	14 (18)	6 (08)	0 ()
VIII	53 (70)	16 (21)	7 (09)	0 ()
IX	54 (71)	16 (21)	5 (06)	1 (02);
Х	56 (74)	15 (19)	4 (05)	1 (02)
ΧΙ	50 (66)	17 (22)	6 (08)	3 (04)
XII	50 (66)	16 (21)	5 (06)	4 (06)

^{*}Percentages are in parentheses.



b. Comparison of the Unit to Other Science and Social Science Materials

When the teaching materials and strategies were ranked in terms of their interest value some variation existed within both groups; however, the rankings of both groups were essentially the same except for the assessment of the discussion of social implications—the American Problems Classes ranked it as 4 and the Chemistry Classes ranked it as 1 (Table 38).

Tabulation of the opinions of the students relative to which activities they thought would help them to better understand the material in the unit, revealed about the same information in both schools; more class discussion ranked 1 and more slides and movies ranked 2 (Tables 39 and 40).

When asked to compare the reading materials prepared here with those in their other courses, a majority of students from both schools reported that the materials used in this study were easier or at least no more difficult than other science materials (Tables 41 and 42) and easier or at least no more difficult than other social science materials (Tables 43 and 44).

When the frame of reference was changed to how interesting the students found the materials, a majority of both
groups again reported that the materials were more interesting



or at least not less interesting than other science and social science materials studied (Tables 45, 46, 47, and 48).



TABLE 38

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES
AND
SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "LIST THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN THE ORDER OF INTEREST TO YOU."

		7	Number and Percent*	cent*	
	Scientific Explanation	History	Biographies	Quotations	Social Implications
SCHOOL A					
Most Interesting	21 (19)	40 (37)	22 (20)	() 0	24 (22)
Rank Order	က	7	8	S	, T
Least Interesting	25 (23)	15 (14)	11 (10)	35 (32)	21 (19)
SCHOOL B					
Most Interesting	16 (21)	18 (23)	15 (20)	() 0	27 (35)
Rank Order	4	8	ო	ស	H
Least Interesting	15 (20)	7 (09)	10 (13)	35 (46)	8 (10)
					•

*Percentages are in parentheses.

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO:

"WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING DO YOU THINK WOULD HAVE HELPED YOU TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE MATERIAL IN THIS UNIT?"

		Numb	per and Per	cent*	
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total
More Class Discussion More	13 (50)	16 (64)	12 (40)	17 (65)	58 (55)
Lecture Explanation	2 (08)	2 (08)	3 (11)	2 (08)	9 (08)
More Slides and Movies More	7 (27)	2 (08)	10 (30)	5 (19)	24 (23)
Recitation- Drill More	4 (15)	2 (08)	2 (08)	0 ()	8 (07)
Reading	0 ()	3 (12)	3 (11)	2 (08)	8 (07)
Tctal	26(100)	25(100)	30(:100)	26(100)	107(100)

TABLE 40

SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO:

"WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING DO YOU THINK WOULD HAVE HELPED YOU TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE MATERIAL IN THIS UNIT?"

	Number and Percent*						
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total		
More Class Discussion More	7 (37)	7 (35)	6 (37)	8 (38)	28 (37)		
Lecture Explanation More Slides	3 (16)	2 (10)	5 (31)	5 (23)	15 (20)		
and Movies More	9 (47)	7 (35)	2 (13)	6 (29)	24 (31)		
Recitation- Drill	0 ()	3 (15)	2 (13)	2 (10)	7 (09)		
More Reading	0 ()	1 (05)	1 (06)	0 ()	2 (03)		
Total	19(100)	20(100)	16(100)	21(100)	76 (100)		

^{*}Percentages are in parentheses.



TABLE 41
SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO:
"WHEN COMPARED TO MOST SCIENCE MATERIALS YOU HAVE READ
BEFORE, THE READING MATERIAL FOR THIS UNIT IS:"

		Numl	per and Per	cent*	
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total
Much More Difficult Somewhat	1 (04)	0 ()	1 (03)	1 (04)	3 (02)
More Difficult About the	3 (11)	4 (16)	2 (07)	1 (04)	9 (08)
Same Difficulty Somewhat	3 (11)	4 (16)	6 (20)	1 (04)	14 (13)
Easier Much	14 (54)	14 (56)	13 (43)	17 (66)	58 (55)
Easier	5 (19)	3 (12)	8 (27)	6 (22)	23 (21)
Total	26 (99)	25(100)	30(100)	26(100)	107 (99)

TABLE 42
SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO:
"WHEN COMPARED TO MOST SCIENCE MATERIALS YOU HAVE READ
BEFORE, THE READING MATERIAL FOR THIS UNIT IS:"

		Numl	per and Per	cent*	
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total
Much More Difficult Somewhat	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()
More Difficult About the	0 ()	0 ()	13 (81)	0 ()	0 ()
Same Difficulty	1 (05)	2 (10)	3 (19)	2 (10)	8 (10)
Somewhat Easier	11 (58)	7 (35)	0 ()	15 (71)	41 (54)
Much Easier	7 (37)	11 (55)	0 ()	4 (19)	27 (35)
Total	19(100)	20(100)	16(100)	21(100)	76 (99)

^{*}Percentages are in parentheses.



SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS GLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO:
"WHEN COMPARED TO MOST SOCIAL SCIENCE MATERIALS YOU HAVE READ BEFORE, THIS READING MATERIAL 1S:"

		Num	ber and P	ercent*	
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total
Much More Difficult Somewhat	1 (04)	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	1 (01)
More Difficult About the	3 (11)	3 (12)	2 (07)	2 (08)	10 (09)
Same Difficulty Somewhat	3 (11)	20 (80)	11 (37)	9 (34)	46 (43)
Easier Much	14 (54)	2 (08)	13 (43)	14 (54)	42 (39)
Easier	5 (19)	0 ()	4 (13)	1 (04)	8 (07)
Total	26 (99)	25(100)	30(100)	26(100)	107 (99)

TABLE 44

SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO:
"WHEN COMPARED TO MOST SOCIAL SCIENCE MATERIALS YOU HAVE READ BEFORE, THIS READING MATERIAL IS:"

	Number and Percent*				
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total
Much More Difficult Somewhat	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()
More Difficult About the	1 (05)	0 ()	0 ()	2 (10)	3 (04)
Same Difficulty Somewhat	9 (47)	4 (20)	2 (12)	12 (57)	27 (35)
Easier	8 (42)	7 (35)	12 (75)	6 (29)	33 (43)
Much Easier	1 (05)	9 (45)	2 (12)	1 (04)	13 (17)
Total	19 (99)	20(100)	16 (99)	21(100)	76 (99)

^{*}Percentages are in parentheses.



TABLE 45

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "WHEN COMPARED TO OTHER SCIENCE MATERIALS, THIS UNIT IS:"

	Number and Percent *					
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total	
Much Less Interesting Somewhat	1 (04)	0 ()	1 (03)	0 ()	2 (01)	
Less Interesting	1 (04)	6 (24)	2 (06)	1 (04)	10 (09)	
About the Same Somewhat	13 (50)	7 (28)	11 (37)	10 (38)	41 (39)	
More Interesting	7 (27)	11(44)	14 (47)	9 (34)	41 (39)	
Much More Interesting	4 (15)_	1 (04)	2 (07)	6 (23)	13 (12)	
Total	26(100)	25(100)	30(100)	26 (99)	107(100)	

TABLE 46

SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "WHEN COMPARED TO OTHER SCIENCE MATERIALS, THIS UNIT IS:"

	Number and Percent*					
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total	
Much Less Interesting Somewhat	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	
Less Interesting	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	
About the Same Somewhat	1 (05)	1 (05)	0 ()	0 ()	2 (03)	
More Interesting	4 (21)	6 (30)	9 (56)	10 (48)	29 (38)	
Much More Interesting	14 (74)	13 (65)	7 (44)	11 (52)	45 (59)	
Total	19(100)	20(100)	16(100)	21(100)	76(100)	

^{*}Percentages are in parentheses.



SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "WHEN COMPARED TO OTHER SOCIAL SCIENCE MATERIALS, THIS UNIT IS:"

	Number and Percent*					
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total	
Much Less <u>Interesting</u> Somewhat	3 (11)	1 (04)	4 (13)	1 (04)	10 (09)	
Less Interesting About the	2 (08)	5 (20)	3 (10)	3 (11)	13 (12)	
Same Somewhat	9 (34)	10 (40)	10 (33)	14 (54)	43 (40)	
More Interesting Much More	7 (27)	8 (32)	9 (30)	5 (19)	28 (26)	
Interesting	5 (19)	1 (04)	4 (13)	3 (11)	13 (12)	
Total	26 (99)	25(100)	30 (99)	26 (99)	107(100)	

TABLE 48
SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

STUDENT RESPONSES TO: "WHEN COMPARED TO OTHER SOCIAL SCIENCE MATERIALS, THIS UNIT IS:"

	Number and Percent*					
Class	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Total	
Much Less Interesting Somewhat	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	0 ()	
Les ^c Interesting	0 ()	1 (05)	0 ()	1 (05)	2 (03)	
About the Same Somewhat	4 (21)	2 (10)	2 (12)	7 (33)	15 (20)	
More Interesting Much More	11(58)	10 (50)	7 (44)	10 (48)	38 (50)	
Interesting	4 (21)	7 (35)	7 (44)	3 (14)	21 (27)	
Total	19(100)	20 (100)	16(100)	21(100)	76(100)	

^{*}Percentages are in parentheses.



6. Correlation of Student Gains and IQ

The differences in student gains within a group or within a class do not appear to be explainable using IQ since there is no consistent pattern of relationship between student gains and IQ for either school (Tables 49 and 50). The fact that the correlations between student gains and IQ in School B are low positive or negative rather than high positive may indicate that the students in School B are highly motivated or that IQ is not an important factor beyond some unknown minimum. The correlation coefficients for School A are low positive and provide little to support or deny the apparent independence of the student gains from IQ.

TABLE 49

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

CORRELATIONS BETWEEN 1Q AND STUDENT GAINS

	Cains					
Class	Subtest a	Subtest b	Subtest c	Total Test		
(1)	.477	.205	.057	.363		
(2)	.121	.206	009	.159		
(3)	133	.306	.073	.126		
(4)	.276	.302	.125	.315		
All Classes	.154	.262	.076	.232		

TABLE 50

SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

CORRELATIONS BETWEEN IQ AND STUDENT GAINS

	Gains					
Class	Subtest a	Subtest b	Subtest c	Total Test		
(1)	.000	.117	558	300		
(2)	.006	351	133	259		
(3)	.229	.013	186	.086		
(4)	007	047	318	200		
All Classes	.096	187	254	181		



CHAPTER V. CONCLUSIONS AND IMPLICATIONS

Conclusions

The conclusions formulated here are restricted to the conditions of the study, namely the procedures utilized and the nature of the populations included.

Teaching science via a socio-historical approach utilizing selected concepts related to the social and historical development of science and selected concepts related to atomic energy <u>is feasible</u> as indicated by the following facts. In School A (American Problems Classes) and School B (Chemistry Classes),

- 1. There was a significant increase in subject matter knowledge related to
 - a. science and scientists,
 - b. the interrelationships of science and society, and
 - c. the atom and atomic energy, possessed by students in the study as indicated by comparison of pretest and posttest scores.
- 2. A majority of the students are interested in participating in a course that is designed to show interrelationships of science and society, and are interested in

reading more about science and its relationships to society.

- 3. A majority of the students are of the opinion that their interest in science had been maintained or increased during the study of this unit.
- 4. A majority of the students expressed the opinion that the reading material of the unit was
 - a. more interesting than most other reading materials in science,
 - b. at least as interesting as reading materials in social science,
 - c. less difficult than most other reading materials in science, and
 - d. no more difficult than reading materials in social science with which they were familiar.
- 5. Students receiving instruction utilizing the sociohistorical approach expressed a desire for greater student participation through more class discussion.
- 6. A majority of students enrolled reported that the unit increased their understanding of
 - a. science and scientists,
 - b. the interrelationships of science and society, and
 - c. the atom and atomic energy.
- 7. The correlation coefficients between student gains and IQ do not exhibit any consistent pattern and indicate



little or no relationship between success in this unit and IQ.

Table 51 summarizes the performance of Schools A and B in regard to the criteria of acceptance.



TABLE 51

SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES AND SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

SUMMARY OF CRITERIA FOR ACCEPTANCE AND THE PERFORMANCE OF THE SCHOOLS IN MEETING THESE CRITERIA

	Criterion	School A	School B
1.	Significant increase in subject matter knowledge as indicated by total test and subtests.	Yes	Yes
2.	High level of student interest in the unit (student opinions).	Yes	Yes
3.	Increase in student understanding of subject matter (student opinions).	Yes	Yes



Implications

The results of the study suggest the following implications:

- 1. Central themes such as the development of atomic energy and its social implications provide effective vehicles for the development and presentation of concepts that emphasize the social implications of science.
- 2. Science-society interrelationships, such as those presented in this study, can be distinguished and isolated from the total social milieu and can be taught to some portion of the high school population.
- 3. High school populations exist that can benefit from science instruction via a socio-historical approach.
- 4. The favorable student response to the presentation of slides--with accompanying narrative and class discussion--supports the implication stated by Boles (1968) that the technique of slide presentation is an effective method of presenting subject matter in a unit utilizing the sociohistorical approach.
- 5. The unfavorable student response to <u>quotations of</u>
 <u>scientists</u> tends to contradict the inference made by some
 developers of instructional materials that selected quotations of scientists promote student interest in science
 taught by a historical or case study approach.
 - 6. There is a need for additional research pertaining



to the socio-historical approach to science instruction in regard to other <u>in vitro</u> classroom situations.



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APPENDIX A

TABLES FOR SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES

Reliabilities for Subtests and Total Test for School A--American Problems Classes (Hoyt ANOVA for Internal Consistency)

Reliability	Subtest a	Subtest b	Subtest c	Total Test
Pretest	.603	.566	.652	.810
Posttest	.730	.746	.818	.903

Number and Proportion of Students Answering Each Item Correctly on Pretest and Posttest for Concepts Related to Science and Scientists

Table 2.

School A--American Problems Classes (N = 107)

Question	Number an	d Proportion	Question	Number an	d Proportion
l Fre		(.54)	46 Pre		(.66)
1 Post	75	(.70)	46 Post	65	(.60)**
2 Pre	80	(.74)	47 Pre	22	(.20)
2 Post	84	(.78)	47 Post	45	(.42)
3 Pre	54	(.50)	48 Pre	9	(.08)
3 Post	77	(.71)	48 Post		(.08)*
4 Pre	54	(.50)	49 Pre	. 63	(.58)
4 Post		(.67)	49 Post		(.65)
5 Pre	47	(.44)	50 Pre	26	(.24)
5 Post		(.70)	50 Post		(.51)
6 Pre	15	(.14)	51 Pre	58	(.54)
6 Post	44	(.41)	51 Post		(.51)**
7 Pre	36	(.34)	52 Pre	75	(.70)
7 Post	66	(.61)	52 Post	98	(.91)
8 Pre	13	(.12)	53 Fre	49	(.45)
8 Post	27	(.11)	53 Post	51	(.47)
9 Pre	49	(.45)	54 Pre	31	(.28)
9 Post	62	(.57)	54 Post	48	(.44)
0 Pre	96	(.89)	55 Pre	46	(.43)
0 Post	101	(.94)	55 Post	72	(.67)
1 Pre	53	(.49)	56 Pre	45	(.42)
1 Post	39	(.36)**	56 Post	54	(.49)
2 Pre	50	(.47)	57 Pre	7	(.06)
2 Post	72	(.67)	57 Post		(.24)

^{*}No Change



^{**}Decrease

Table 2. (continued)

Question	Number and Proportion	Question	Number and Proportion
13 Pre	37 (.34)	58 Pre	62 (.58)
13 Post	44 (.41)	58 Post	76 (.71)
14 Pre	52 (.48)	59 Pre	35 (,32)
14 Post	52 (.48)*	59 Post	44 (.41)
15 Pre	21 (.19)	60 Pre	47 (.44)
15 Post	56 (.52)	60 Post	67 (.62)

^{*} No Change **Decrease

Number and Proportion of Students Answering
Each Item Correctly on Pretest and Posttest for
Concepts Related to Science and Society

School A--American Problems Classes (N = 107)

Question	Number and	d Proportion	ı Qu	estion	Number	and Pr	oportion
l6 Pre l 6 Post		(.11) (.34)	li i	Pre Post		8 (.26 8 (.44	-
17 Pre		(.14)		Pre		7 (.15	•
17 Post	54	(.50)	62	Post	4	0 (.37)
18 Pre 18 Post		(.16) (.17)	1	Pre Post		3 (.02 0 (.09	-
19 Pre 19 Post		(.29) (.69)	1	Pre Post		8 (.16 1 (.29	-
20 Pre 20 Post	50	(.46) (.57)		Pre Post		7 (.06 9 (.27)
21 Pre	75	(.70)	66	Pre	1	6 (.14)
21 Post 22 Pre		(.71) (.44)		Post Pre		9 (.17 6 (.80	
22 Pre	70	(.65)	67	Post	8	9 (.82)
23 Pre 23 Post		(.50) (.51)		Pre Post		3 (.40 9 (.64	
24 Pre 24 Post		(.27) (.60)		Tre Post		1 (.38 1 (.47	
25 Pre 25 Post		(.25) (.29)	t t	Pre Post		3 (.40 3 (.48	-
26 Pre 26 Post	52		71	Pre Post	2	3 (.21 5 (.42) <u>.</u>



Table 3. (continued)

Question	Number and	Proportion	Que	stion	Number a.	d Proportion
27 Pre	62	(.58)	72	Pre	32	(.30)
27 Post	83	(.77)	72	Post		(.24)**
28 Pre	7	(.06)	73	Pre	76	(.71)
28 Post	73	(.68)	73	Post		(.71)
29 Pre	32	(.29)	74	Pre	45	(.42)
29 Post	42	(.39)	74	Post	65	(.60)
30 Pre	54	(.50)	75	Pre	25	(.23)
30 Post	61	(.57)	75	Post	35	(.32)

^{*}No Change **Decrease

Number and Proportion of Students Answering Each
Item Correctly on Pretest and Posttest for Concepts
Related to Atoms and Atomic Energy

School A--American Problems Classes (N = 107)

Question	Number and Proportion	Question	Number and Proportion
31 Pre	35 (.33)	76 Pre	55 (.51)
31 Post	45 (.42)	76 Post	72 (.67)
32 Pre	21 (.19)	77 Pre	35 (.33)
32 Post	64 (.59)	77 Post	74 (.68)
33 Pre	61 (.57)	78 Pre]8 (.26)
33 Post	78 (.72)	78 Post	53 (.49)
34 Pre	43 (.40)	79 Pre	31 (.28)
34 Post	56 (.52)	79 Post	45 (.41)
35 Pre	57 (.53)	80 Pre	35 (,32)
35 Post	77 (.72)	80 Post	41 (.38)
36 Pre	55 (.51)	81 Pre	22 (.20)
36 Post	77 (.72)	81 Post	44 (.41)
37 Pre	26 (.24)	82 Pre	59 (. 55)
37 Post	42 (.39)	82 Post	62 (.57)
38 Pre	59 (.55)	83 Pre	55 (.51)
38 Post	79 (.73)	83 Post	76 (.70)
39 Pre	61 (.57)	84 Pre	65 (.61)
39 Post	72 (.67)	84 Post	80 (.73)
40 Pre	25 (.23)	85 Pre	49 (.46)
40 Post	52 (. 48)	85 Post	76 (.70)
41 Pre	57 (.53)	86 Pre	61 (.57)
41 Post	74 (.69)	86 Post	75 (.69)
42 Pre	54 (.50)	87 Pre	27 (.25)
42 Post	56 (.52)	87 Post	32 (.29)



Table 4. (continued)

Question	Number and Proportion	Question	Number and Proportion
43 Pre	29 (.27)	88 Pre	46 (.43)
43 Post	55 (.51)	88 Post	72 (.67)
44 Pre	74 (.69)	89 Pre	41 (.38)
44 Post	85 (.79)	89 Post	60 (.55)
45 Pre	84 (.78)	90 Pre	29 (.27)
45 Post	97 (.90)	90 Post	35 (.32)

TABLE 5. ITEM STATISTICS OF TOTAL TEST FOR SCHOOL A - AMERICAN PROBLEMS CLASSES (POSTTEST).

Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X 50	β
1 1 1 1 1	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	20. 2. 2. 8. 75.	.1869 .0187 .0187 .0748 .7009	3363 7082 4198 2158 .4306	-2.6447 -9.9984 -4.9588 -6.6798 -1.2241	3571 2129 4625 2210 .4771
2 2 2 2 2	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	6. 3. 84. 4. 10.	.0561 .0280 .7850 .0374 .0935	4668 3186 .3226 1063 0740	-3.4030 -5.9964 -2.4469 -16.7587 -17.8431	5279 3361 .3408 1069 0742
3 3 3 3	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	12. 14. 77. 2. 2.	.1121 .1308 .7196 .0187 .0187	4010 4241 .6084 6616 1780	-3.0307 -2.6469 -9562 -3.1464 -11.6965	4377 4682 .7666 8822 1809
4 4 4 4	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	11. 16. 2. 72. 6.	.1028 .1495 .0187 .6729 .0561	6125 3896 2838 .6243 1060	-2.0664 -2.6656 -7.3358 7175 -14.9903	7749 4230 2959 .7991 1066
5 5 5 5 5	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	9. 75. 9. 14. 0.	.0841 .7009 .0841 .1308 .0000	3311 .5082 1342 4923 .0000	-4.1618 -1.0372 -10.2677 -2.2798 .0000	3509 .5901 1354 5656 .0000
6 6 6 6	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	9. 44. 3. 7. 44.	.0841 .4112 .0280 .0654 .4112	5504 .4954 3616 4674 0640	-2.5037 .4531 -5.2839 -3.2323 -3.5040	6592 .5702 3878 5287 0642
7 7 7 7	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	15. 7. 7. 12. 66.	.1402 .0654 .0654 .1121 .6168	0568 2831 1313 3865 .3645	-19.0034 -5.3370 -11.5083 -3.1444 8152	0569 2952 1324 4190 .3914
8 8 8 8 8	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	24. 2. 50. 27. 4.	.2243 .0187 .4673 .2523	3376 5104 .0671 .3440 1487	-2.2444 -4.0779 1.2236 1.9392 -11.9846	3587 5936 .0672 .3664 1504



TABLE 5. (CONTINUED)

Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X 50	β
9 9 9 9	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0 1	27. 11. 5. 2. 62.	.2523 .1028 .0467 .0187 .5794	.0066 0184 1870 0034 .0494	101.8451 -68.8326 -8.9726 614.0666 -4.0588	.0066 0184 1903 .0034 .0494
10 10 10 10	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	1. 101. 2. 3. 0.	.0093 .9439 .0187 .0280 .0000	4644 .6931 6162 5979 .0000	-5.0637 -2.2919 -3.3779 -3.1955 .0000	5244 .9616 7825 7458 .0000
11 11 11 11	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	24. 10. 39. 7. 27.	.2243 .0935 .3645 .0654 .2523	.0154 0864 .1055 1801 0216	49.0729 -15.2793 3.2843 -8.3900 -30.9259	.0154 0867 .1061 1831 0216
12 12 12 12 12	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0 1	7. 11. 6. 11. 72.	.0654 .1028 .0561 .1028 .6729	0662 2036 4546 3425 .4366	-22.8140 -6.2176 -3.4945 -3.6960 -1.0259	0664 2079 5104 3645 .4853
13 13 13 13 13	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0	44. 11. 9. 15. 28.	.4112 .1028 .0841 .1402 .2617	.3515 2807 2147 4196 .1234	.6385 -4.5087 -6.4165 -2.5725 5.1707	.3755 2925 2199 4623 .1244
14 14 14 14	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0 0	9. 38. 52. 1. 7.	.0841 .3551 .4860 .0093 .0654	4698 3725 .4918 2444 .1669	-2.9330 9974 .0715 -9.6215 9.0522	5322 4013 .5649 2521 .1693
15 15 15 15 15	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	3. 14. 6. 56. 28.	.0280 .1308 .0561 .5234 .2617	1790 1445 2956 .4185 2799	-10.6744 -7.7703 -5.3746 1400 -2.2799	1819 1460 3094 .4609 2916
16 16 16 16	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0 1	10. 9. 21. 30. 37.	.0935 .0841 .1963 .2804 .3458	3139 1387 3036 1182 .5361	-4.2042 -9.9364 -2.8162 -4.9212 .7400	3306 1400 3187 1190 .6351



TABLE 5. (CONTINUED)

Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X50	β
17 17 17 17 17	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	7. 33. 5. 54. 8.	.0654 .3084 .0467 .5047 .0748	3210 3225 3213 .5647 2793	-4.7061 -1.5517 -5.2208 0207 -5.1591	3390 3407 3393 .6842 2909
18 18 18 18	1 2 3 4 5	0000	19. 4. 21. 28. 35.	.1776 .0374 .1963 .2617 .3271	2546 4452 0840 .1298 .2315	-3.6322 -4.0027 -10.1822 4.9170 1.9349	2632 4972 0843 .1309 .2380
19 19 19 19	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0	74. 22. 6. 5.	.6916 .2056 .0561 .0467 .0000	.4579 4722 0937 1657 .0000	-1.0928 -1.7404 -16.9453 -10.1210 .0000	.5150 5356 0942 1681 .0000
20 20 20 20 20	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0 0	26. 61. 11. 2. 7.	.2430 .5701 .1028 .0187 .0654	4991 .6611 2499 3895 3210	-1.3961 2672 -5.0656 -5.3436 -4.7061	5759 .8811 2581 4230 3390
21 21 21 21 21	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	9. 13. 8. 1. 76.	.0841 .1215 .0748 .0093 .7103	3177 1970 2940 4919 .4170	-4.3377 -5.9266 -4.9016 -4.7806 -1.3290	3350 2009 3076 5650 .4588
22 22 22 22 22 22	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0 0	7. 70. 5. 3. 22.	.0654 .6542 .0467 .0280 .2056	4023 .4793 4981 2541 2125	-3.7549 8276 -3.3678 -7.5168 -3.8678	4395 .5462 5744 2628 2174
23 23 23 23 23	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0 0	20. 9. 55. 9. 14.	.1869 .0841 .5140 .0841 .1308	5060 3714 .5894 2103 0437	-1.7576 -3.7105 0596 -6.5531 -25.7064	5866 4000 .7297 2151 0437
24 24 24 24 24	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	3. 10. 65. 19.	.0280 .0935 .6075 .1776 .0935	3293 0740 .2126 .0083 3015	-5.8008 -17.8431 -1.2829 111.2213 -4.3773	3488 0742 .2176 .0083 3162



TABLE 5. (CONTINUED)

Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X50	β
25 25 25 25 25	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0 0	32. 11. 48. 4. 12.	.2991 .1028 .4486 .0374 .1121	2535 2845 .4040 0979 0676	-2.0791 -4.4475 .3198 -18.2095 -17.9779	2621 2969 .4417 0983 0677
26 26 26 26 26	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	10. 70. 8. 6. 13.	.0935 .6542 .0748 .0561 .1215	3263 .4587 2500 3812 1799	-4.0443 8648 -5.7648 -4.1673 -6.4906	3452 .5162 2582 4123 1829
27 27 27 27 27	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	7. 5. 6. 83.	.0654 .0467 .0561 .7757 .0561	1801 5122 2528 .5015 4301	-8.3900 -3.2749 -6.2849 -1.5111 -3.6933	1831 5964 2612 .5796 4765
28 28 28 28 28	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0 0	7. 12. 73. 13.	.0654 .1121 .6822 .1215 .0187	1909 .0302 .2891 4058 0571	-7.9135 40.1835 -1.6397 -2.8769 -36.4793	1945 .0303 .3019 4441 0572
29 29 29 29 29	1 2 3 4 .5	0 0 0 0 1	6. 4. 29. 26. 42.	.0561 .0374 .2710 .2430 .3925	5280 .0462 3498 .3133 .1918	-3.0088 38.6055 -1.7429 2.2241 1.4221	6217 .0462 3734 .3299 .1954
30 30 30 30 30	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0	61. 16. 8. 8. 14.	.5701 .1495 .0748 .0748 .1308	.5907 3243 3772 7245 0046	2990 -3.2026 -3.8208 -1.9891 -241.4384	.7321 3428 4073 -1.0512 0046
31 31 31 31 31	1 2 3 4 5	10000	45. 34. 14. 7. 7.	.4206 .3178 .1308 .0654 .0654	.2898 0159 3103 2126 1150	.6916 -29.8801 -3.6177 -7.1063 -13.1357	.3028 0159 3264 2176 1158
32 32 32 32 32	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	8. 64. 20. 11. 4.	.0748 .5981 .1869 .1028 .0374	2353 .5058 1717 5354 2503	-6.1243 4914 -5.1802 -2.3643 -7.1180	2421 .5863 1743 6338 2586



TABLE 5. (CONTINUED)

Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X 50	β
33 33 33 33 33	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1	20. 8. 1. 78. 0.	.1869 .0748 .0093 .7290 .0000	1717 .2060 3269 .2518 .0000	-5.1802 -6.9971 -7.1934 -2.4213 .0000	1743 2105 3459 .2602 .0000
34 34 34 34	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	3. 14. 56. 7. 27.	.0280 .1308 .5234 .0654 .2523	3938 3623 .4290 2505 1146	-4.8515 -3.0982 1366 -6.0299 -5.8218	4284 3887 .4749 2588 1154
35 35 35 35 35	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	1. 4. 77. 13. 12.	.0093 .0374 .7196 .1215 .1121	5744 3181 .5058 2997 3647	-4.0940 -5.6015 -1.1500 -3.8956 -3.3318	7017 3355 .5864 3141 3917
36 36 36 36 36	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0	77. 9. 3. 0. 18.	.7196 .0841 .0280 .0000 .1682	.5571 4519 8341 .0000 2556	-1.0442 -3.0491 -2.2903 .0000 -3.7612	.6709 5066 -1.5124 .0000 2643
37 37 27 27 27	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0 0	14. 7. 42. 34. 10.	.1308 .0654 .3925 .3178 .0935	1802 2722 .6591 3569 3181	-6.2283 -5.5496 .4138 -1.3281 -4.1495	1832 2829 .8764 3820 3355
38 38 38 38 38	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	9. 4. 14. 1. 79.	.0841 .0374 .1308 .0093 .7383	3579 5638 .1839 1894 .2056	-3.8496 -3.1607 6.1028 -12.4152 -3.1037	3833 6826 .1871 1929 .2101
39 39 39 39	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0	72. 3. 1. 27. 4.	.6729 .0280 .0093 .2523 .0374	.3045 0716 6019 2466 1402	-1.4708 -26.6935 -3.9069 -2.7059 -12.7086	.3197 0718 7537 2544 1416
40 40 40 40 40	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	4. 52. 4. 44. 3.	.0374 .4860 .0374 .4112 .0280	3774 .3601 3351 1830 2219	-4.7214 .0976 -5.3183 -1.2261 -8.6081	4075 .3860 3556 1862 2276



Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X50	β
41 41 41 41 41	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0 0	74. 29. 3. 1. 0.	.6916 .2710 .0280 .0093 .0000	.6895 7023 0823 1894 .0000	7257 8682 -23.2103 -12.4152 .0000	.9519 9864 0826 1929 .0000
42 42 42 42 42	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	16. 17. 10. 56.	.1495 .1589 .0935 .5234 .0748	.2488 3226 5042 .3648 2891	4.1738 -3.0970 -2.61741606 -4.9845	.2569 3408 5839 .3918 3020
43 43 43 43 43	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	21. 4. 55. 1. 26.	.1963 .0374 .5140 .0093 .2430	3860 3774 .3105 5744 .0903	-2.2153 -4.7214 1132 -4.0940 7.7141	4184 4075 .3266 7017 .0907
44 44 44 44	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	7. 4. 6. 5. 85.	.0654 .0374 .0561 .0467 .7944	1367 .0462 3629 1304 .2367	-11.0519 38.6055 -4.3781 -12.8654 -3.4712	1380 .0462 3894 1315 .2437
45 45 45 45 45	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1	5. 3. 9. 2. 97.	.0467 .0280 .0000 .0187 .9065	4627 0716 .0000 4500 .4215	-3.6252 -26.6935 .0000 -4.6257 -3.1313	5220 0718 .0000 5039 .4648
46 46 46 46 46	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1	11. 25. 4. 65.	.1028 .2336 .0374 .5981 .0187	1148 2350 3266 .3807 1780	-11.0219 -3.0932 -5.4562 6527 -11.6965	1156 2418 3455 .4117 1809
47 47 47 47 47	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	33. 45. 10. 7. 12.	.3084 .4206 .0935 .0(54 .1028	1360 .5301 4091 1692 2769	-3.6789 .3781 -3.2263 -8.9275 -4.5715	1373 .6252 4483 1717 2881
48 48 48 48	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	26. 26. 20. 9. 26.	.2430 .2430 .1776 .0841 .2430	.0727 .1168 0050 .1790 2099	9.5889 5.9647 -186.2958 7.6966 -3.3195	.0729 .1176 0050 .1820 2147



Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X 50	β
49 49 49 49	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0 1	12. 6. 5. 13. 71.	.1121 .0561 .0467 .1215 .6542	.0520 5219 3284 1388 .3501	23.3771 -3.0440 -5.1084 -8.4118 -1.1332	.0521 6118 3476 1402 .3737
50 50 50 50	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0 0	22. 7. 55. 6. 17.	.1963 .0654 .5140 .0561 .1589	1089 4891 .4179 3323 0687	-7.8492 -3.0890 0841 -4.7810 -14.5372	1096 5607 .4600 3523 0689
51 51 51 51 51	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	16. 9. 7. 21. 54.	.1495 .0841 .0654 .1963 .4953	.2607 .2059 3210 .0683 1265	3.9836 6.6929 -4.7061 12.5234 0926	.2700 .2104 3390 .0684 1275
52 52 52 52 52	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0	98. 2. 0. 3. 4.	.9065 .0287 .0000 .0280 .0374	.2684 0722 .0000 .1862 4113	-4.9170 -28.8408 .0000 10.2601 -4.3324	.2786 0724 .0000 .1895 4512
53 53 53 53	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	6. 25. 1. 24. 51.	.0561 .2243 .0093 .2243 .4766	0265 2453 5469 2130 .4367	-60.0258 -3.0889 -4.2998 -3.5574 .1342	0265 2530 6553 2180 .4854
54 54 54 54 54	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0 0	14. 8. 48. 8. 29.	.1308 .0748 .4486 .0748 .2617	5639 2206 .3813 2647 .1765	-1.9906 -6.5317 .3388 -5.4451 3.6159	6827 2262 .4125 2745 .1793
55 55 55 55 55	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0 0	9. 72. 1. 4. 21.	.0841 .6729 .0093 .0374 .1869	.0761 .5496 0519 5638 5317	18.1038 8150 -45.2972 -3.1607 -1.6726	.0763 .6578 0520 6826 6278
56 56 56 56 56	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	14. 19. 54. 10.	.1308 .1776 .4953 .0935	1932 .1968 .2891 3346 2974	-5.8091 4.6973 .0405 -3.9443 -4.4382	1969 .2008 .3020 3551 3115



TABLE 5. (CONTINUED)

Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X 50	β
57 57 57 57 57	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	18. 31. 28. 26.	.1682 .2897 .2523 .2430 .0374	1923 0778 0454 .4258 2927	-4.9973 -7.1249 -14.7049 1.6361 -6.0879	1960 0780 0454 .4706 3061
58 58 58 58 58	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	0. 13. 5. 76. 13.	.0000 .1215 .0467 .7009 .1215	.0000 2518 5476 .5500 3305	.0000 -4.6372 -3.0634 0.9584 -3.5325	.0000 2602 6544 .6585 3502
59 59 59 59	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	14. 2. 12. 44. 35.	.1308 .0187 .1121 .4112 .3178	4696 .0790 .0592 .4669 2154	-2.3903 26.3643 20.5168 .4806 -2.2001	5319 .0792 .0593 .5280 2206
60 60 60 60	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0	67. 16. 7. 12. 5.	.6262 .1495 .0561 .1131 .0467	.4459 1877 4791 0567 4132	7215 -5.5334 -3.3161 -21.4232 -4.0594	.4982 1911 5458 0568 4538
61 61 61 61	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	33. 22. 3. 48.	.2991 .2056 .0280 .4486 .0093	1739 4212 4367 .6118 5469	-3.0305 -1.9510 -4.3743 .2112 -4.2998	1766 4644 4855 .7735 6533
62 62 62 62 62	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0	40. 23. 33. 8. 3.	.3738 .2150 .3084 .0748 .0187	.2981 0979 0379 3234 1175	1.0791 -8.0590 -13.2101 -4.4567 -17.7135	.3124 0984 0379 3417 1183
63 63 63 63	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0	19. 10. 1. 7. 70.	.1776 .0935 .0093 .0654 .6449	.0163 0822 3544 1421 .1517	56.7975 -16.0479 -6.6353 -10.6303 -2.4495	.0163 0825 3790 1436 .1534
64 64 64 64	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	6. 31. 18. 42.	.0561 .2897 .1682 .3925 .0841	.2732 .2554 3985 .1307 3132	5.8142 2.1702 -2.4122 2.0871 -4.3996	.2840 .2641 4345 .1318 3298



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Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X50	β
65 65 65 65	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0 0	3. 29. 49. 24.	.0280 .2710 .4579 .2150 .0187	6301 .5115 1698 1476 .0336	-3.0321 1.1921 6220 -5.3477 61.9228	8114 .5952 1723 1492 .0336
66 66 66 66	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	8. 56. 16. 19.	.0748 .5234 .1494 .1776 .0654	4848 .1184 0184 .4013 4620	-2.9726 4947 -56.3588 2.3041 -3.2702	5543 .1193 0184 .4381 5209
67 67 67 67	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0 0	4. 89. 7. 4. 3.	.0374 .8224 .0654 .0374 .0280	2758 .5785 4295 2080 5656	-6.4620 -1.5983 -3.5179 -8.5676 -3.3775	2869 .7093 4755 2126 6859
68 68 68 68	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	6. 69. 15. 6.	.0561 .6449 .1308 .0561 .1028	4974 .5858 4176 2100 1650	-3.1937 6341 -2.6881 -7.5666 -7.6715	5734 .7228 4595 2147 1673
69 69 69 69	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	20. 5. 15. 51.	.1869 .0467 .1402 .4766 .1402	3028 5829 3173 .5390 .0641	-2.9367 -2.8776 -3.4022 .1087 16.8309	3178 7174 3346 .6399 .0643
70 70 70 70 70	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0 0	16. 53. 21. 4.	.1495 .4860 .1963 .0374 .1215	.0558 .3133 2188 4113 1183	18.6088 .1122 -3.9087 -4.3324 -9.8729	.0559 .3300 2242 4512 1191
71 71 71 71 71	1 2 3 4 5	10000	45. 50. 6. 3.	.4206 .4673 .0467 .0280 .0280	.4577 1623 2930 7697 2542	.4380 5058 -5.7247 -2.4821 -7.5168	.5148 1645 3065 -1.2057 2628
72 72 72 72 72 72	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0	26. 9. 18. 3. 51.	.2430 .0841 .1589 .0280 .4766	.4943 5325 0944 1253 0543	1.4096 -2.5879 -10.5837 -15.2504 -1.0800	.5686 6290 0948 1263 0543



TABLE 5. (CONTINUED)

Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X50	β
73	1	0	2.	.0187	6011	-3.4628	7522
73	2	0	4.	.0280	0823	-23.2103	0826
73	3	1	77.	.7196	.5017	-1.1594	.5800
73	4	0	8.	.0748	3234	-4.4567	3417
73	5	0	16.	.1495	3035	-3.4219	3185
74	1	0 0 0 1	°5.	.0467	5900	-2.8431	7307
74	2		3.	.0280	6945	-2.7508	9653
74	3		12.	.1121	.1353	8.9799	.1366
74	4		22.	.1963	3760	-2.2741	4058
74	5		65.	.6075	.5217	5228	.6116
75	1	0 0 1 0 0	20.	.1869	.1729	5.1428	.1756
75	2		9.	.0841	2729	-5.0489	2837
75	3		35.	.3271	.2717	1.6486	.2823
75	4		9.	.0841	.0045	305.0824	.0045
75	5		34.	.3084	2361	-2.1192	2430
76 76 76 76 76	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0	72. 4. 16. 4. 11.	.6729 .0374 .1495 .0280 .1028	.7793 5129 4549 5549 4351	5748 -3.4738 -2.2828 -3.4429 -2.9094	1.2437 5975 5108 6670 4832
77	1	0 1 0 0 0	10.	.0935	2725	-4.8424	2833
77	2		74.	.6822	.5409	8762	.6432
77	3		4.	.0374	4198	-4.2450	4625
77	4		12.	.1121	2162	-5.6218	2214
77	5		7.	.0654	4078	-3.7050	4466
78	1	0 0 0	53.	.4953	.1281	.0915	.1291
78	2		3.	.0280	.1540	12.4071	.1558
78	3		5.	.0374	3096	-5.7548	3256
78	4		17.	.1589	.2707	3.6905	.2812
78	5		29.	.2710	2456	-2.4830	2533
79 79 79 79 79	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0 0	30. 45. 13. 15.	.2804 .4112 .1215 .1402 .0374	.1382 .3710 2689 3049 5977	4.2105 .6048 -4.3420 -3.5406 -2.9815	.1395 .3996 2792 3201 7454
80 80 80 80	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	9. 4. 6. 41. 47.	.0841 .0374 .0561 .3832 .4299	2953 4028 5463 .6001 1756	-4.6663 -4.4235 -2.9077 .4951 -1.0057	3091 4401 6523 .7503 1784



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Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X 50	β
81 81 81 81	1 2 3 4 5	10000	44. 15. 5. 6. 37.	.4112 .1308 .0467 .0561 .3458	.4794 3850 2577 6748 .0452	.4682 -2.9151 -6.5103 -2.3543 8.7681	.5462 4172 2667 9143 .0453
82 82 82 82 82	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	17. 8. 8. 62. 12.	.1589 .0748 .0748 .5794 .1028	0858 0935 4555 .4469 3155	-11.6388 -15.4217 -3.1642 4485 -4.0124	0862 0939 5116 .4996 3324
83 83 83 83 83	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	1. 3. 17. 10. 76.	.0093 .0280 .1589 .0935 .7009	6294 .1218 5508 4794 .6952	-3.7362 15.6904 -1.8139 -2.7530 7581	8100 .1227 6599 5436 .9673
84 84 84 84	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	6. 11. 80. 2. 8.	.0561 .1028 .7383 .0187 .0748	2711 4852 .6429 2989 4114	-5.8596 -2.6087 9926 -6.9649 -3.5028	2817 5549 .8394 3132 4514
85 85 85 85	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	8. 10. 76. 0. 13.	.0748 .0935 .7009 .0000	6022 3263 .5997 .0000 2415	-2.3931 -4.0443 8789 .0000 -4.8344	7544 3452 .7495 .0000 2489
86 86 86 86	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	15. 3. 10. 75. 4.	.1402 .0280 .0935 .6916 .0374	5158 6730 3760 .7169 1402	-2.0930 -2.8385 -3.5103 6979 -12.7086	6020 9100 4057 1.0284 1416
87 87 87 87 87	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0 0	12. 5. 32. 42. 16.	.1121 .0467 .2991 .3925 .1402	.1317 0385 .3733 4265 .1479	9.2270 -43.6142 1.4121 6395 7.3004	.1329 0385 .4023 4715 .1495
88 88 88 88	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	5. 12. 12. 72. 6.	.0467 .1028 .1121 .6729 .0561	4839 2036 6365 .6913 2161	-3.4663 -6.2176 -1.9002 6480 -7.3524	5530 2079 8252 .9566 2213



TABLE 5. (CONTINUED)

Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X50	β
89 89 89	1 2 3 4	0 0 0	60. 23. 10. 9.	.5514 .2150 .0935 .0841	.4760 1783 4008 1789	2714 -4.1260 -3.2929 -7.7002	.5413 1813 4375 1819
90 90 90 90	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0 0	16. 16. 35. 25.	.1402 .1495 .3271 .2336 .1402	1964 6301 .5014 .2995 2801	-5.4977 -1.6481 .8933 2.4269 -3.8542	2003 8114 .5796 .3139 2918

APPENDIX E

TABLES FOR SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES

Table 1.

Reliabilities for Subtests and Total Test
for School B--Chemistry Classes
(Hoyt ANOVA for Internal Consistency)

Reliability	Subtest a	Subtest b	Subtest c	Total Test
Pretest	.454	.530	.610	•744
Posttest	.601	.502	•560	.778

Table 2.

Number and Proportion of Students Answering Each Item Correctly on Pretest and Posttest for Concepts Related to Science and Scientists

School B--Chemistry Classes (N = 76)

Question	Number and Proportion.	Question	Number and Proportion
l Pre	43 (.56)	46 Pre	52 (.68)
1 Post	60 (.78)	46 Post	56 (.73)
2 Pre	62 (.81)	47 Pre	19 (.25)
2 Post	64 (.84)	47 Post	48 (.63)
3 Pre	59 (.77)	48 Pre	31 (.41)
3 Post	61 (.80)	48 Post	45 (.59)
4 Pre	57 (.75)	49 Fre	20 (.26)
4 Post	71 (.93)	49 Post	66 (.86)
5 Pre	45 (.59)	50 Pre	19 (.25)
5 Post	68 (.89)	50 Post	57 (.75)
6 Pre	13 (.17)	51 Pre	46 (.60)
6 Post	38 (.50)	51 Post	52 (.68)
7 Pre	34 (.44)	52 Pre	72 (.94)
7 Post	58 (.76)	52 Post	76 (1.00)
8 Pre	4 (.05)	53 Pre	38 (.50)
8 Post	45 (.59)	53 Post	49 (.64)
9 Pre	41 (.53)	54 Pre	33 (.43)
9 Post	53 (.69)	54 Post	47 (.61)
O Pre		1	52 (.58)
0 Post	75 (.98)	55 Post	67 (.88)
l Pre	32 (.42)	56 Pre	49 (.64)
1 Post	75 (.39)**	56 Post	55 (.72)
2 Pre	22 (.29)	57 Pre	14 (.18)
2 Post	48 (.63)	57 Post	39 (.51)



Table 2. (continued)

Question	Number and Proportion	Question	Number and Proportion
13 Pre	28 (.37)	58 Pre	63 (.83)
13 Post	34 (.44)	58 Post	70 (.92)
14 Pre	53 (.69)	59 Pre	39 (.51)
14 Post	61 (.80)	59 Post	48 (.63)
15 Pre	22 (.28)	60 Pre	36 (.47)
15 Post	47 (.61)	60 Post	68 (.89)

Table 3.

Number and Proportion of Students Answering
Each Item Correctly on Pretest and Posttest for
Concepts Related to Science and Society

School B--Chemistry Classes (N = 76)

Question	Number an	d Proportion	Question	Number a	nd Proportion
16 Pre	15	(.19)	- 61 Pre	32	(.42)
16 Post	49	(.64)	61 Post	59	(.77)
17 Pre	9	(.11)	62 Pre	22	(.28)
17 Post		(.78)	62 Post		(.72)
18 Pre	11	(.14)	63 Pre	3	(.03)
18 Post		(.34)	63 Post		(.10)
19 Pre	25	(.32)	64 Pre	10	(.13)
19 Post	57	(.75)	64 Post	26	(.34)
20 Pre	37	(.48)	65 Pre	27	(.35)
20 Post	. 62	(.81)	65 Post	60	(.78)
21 Pre	72	(.94)	66 Pre	19	(.25)
21 Post	70	(.92)**	66 Post	33	(.43)
22 Pre	49	(.64)	6 7 Pre	71	(.93)
22 Post	67	(.88)	67 Post	72	(.94)
23 Pre		(.59)	68 Pre	35	(.46)
23 Post	5 5	(.72)	68 Post	70	(.92)
24 Pre		(.47)	69 Pre	36	(.47)
24 Post	61	(.80)	69 Post	54	(.71)

^{*}No Change



^{**}Decrease

Table 3. (continued)

Question	Number and Proportion	Question	Number and Proportion
25 Pre	15 (.19)	70 Pre	20 (.26)
25 Post	27 (.35)	70 Post	37 (.48)
26 Pre	54 (.71)	71 Pre	24 (.31)
26 Post	70 (.92)	71 Post	57 (.75)
27 Pre	47 (.61)	72 Pre	23 (.30)
27 Post	67 (.88)	72 Post	39 (.51)
28 Pre	14 (.18)	73 Pre	59 (.77)
28 Post	75 (.98)	73 Post	67 (.88)
29 Pre	35 (.46)	74 Pre	46 [.] (.60)
29 Post	22 (.29)**	74 Post	55 (.72)
30 Pre	48 (.63)	75 Pre	19 (.25)
30 Post	56 (.73)	75 Post	44 (.57)

^{*}No Change **Decrease

Number and Proportion of Students Answering
Each Item Correctly on Pretest and Posttest for
Concepts Related to Atoms and Atomic Energy

School B--Chemistry Classes (N = 76)

uestion	Number and Proportion	Question	Number and Proportion
31 Pre	15 (.19)	76 Pre	49 (.64)
31 Post	54 (.71)	76 Post	68 (.89)
32 Pre	30 (.39)	77 Post	49 (.64)
32 Post	66 (.86)	77 Post	68 (.89)
33 Pre	51 (.67)	78 Pre	22 (.28)
33 Post	59 (.77)	78 Post	48 (.63)
84 Pre	39 (.39)	79 Pre	18 (.23)
4 Post	43 (.56)	79 Post	41 (.53)
5 Pre	52 (.68)	80 Pre	34 (.44)
5 Post	61 (.80)	80 Post	55 (.72)
6 Pre	42 (.55)	81 Pre	33 (.43)
6 Post	72 (.94)	81 Post	56 (.73)
7 Pre	18 (.23)	82 Pre	43 (.56)
7 Post	33 (.43)	82 Post	54 (.71)
8 Pre	49 (.64)	83 Pre	35 (.46)
8 Post	59 (.77)	83 Post	70 (.92)
9 Pre	52 (.68)	84 Pre	43 (.56)
9 Post	50 (.65)**	84 Post	66 (.86)
0 Pre	17 (.22)	85 Post	31 (.40)
O Post	34 (.44)	85 Post	75 (.98)
1 Pre	46 (.60)	86 Pre	63 (.82)
1 Post	67 (. 88)	86 Post	69 (.90)

^{*}No Change



^{**}Decrease

Table 4. (continued)

Question	Number and Proportion	Question	Number and Proportion
42 Pre	34 (.44)	87 Pre	17 (,22)
42 Post	41 (.53)	87 Post	48 (.63)
43 Pre	25 (.32)	88 Pre	38 (.50)
43 Post	61 (.80)	83 Post	72 (.94)
4 Pre	61 (.80)	89 Pre	36 (.47)
44 Post	68 (.89)	89 Post	45 (.59)
45 Pre	66 (.86)	90 Pre	12 (.16)
45 Post	73 (.96)	90 Post	24 (.31)

TABLE 5. ITEM STATISTICS OF TOTAL TEST FOR SCHOOL B - CHEMISTRY CLASSES (POSTTEST)

Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X50	β
1 1 1 1	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	6. 4. 3. 3. 60.	.0789 .0526 .0395 .0395 .7895	2426 0712 1904 5693 .3746	-5.8222 -22.7482 -9.2252 -3.0858 -2.1479	2500 0714 1940 6925 .4040
2 2 2 2 2	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0 0	1. 0. 64. 0. 11.	.0132 .0000 .8421 .0000 .1447	2236 .0000 .1822 .0000 1598	-9.9334 .0000 -5.5062 .0000 -6.6283	2295 .0000 .1853 .0000 1619
3 3 3 3	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	3. 6. 61. 2. 4.	.0395 .0789 .8026 .0263 .0526	3799 5937 .5016 .0432 2065	-4.6247 -2.3787 -1.6967 44.8699 -7.8442	4107 7378 .5798 .0432 2111
4 4 4	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	2. 2. 0. 71.	.0263 .0263 .0000 .9342 .0132	3539 7245 .0000 .5227 0327	-5.4763 -2.6749 .0000 -2.8850 -68.0057	3784 -1.0510 .0000 .6131 0327
5 5 5 5	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0 0	5. 68. 1. 2.	.0658 .8947 .0132 .0263 .0000	5479 .4475 0327 1686 .0000	-2.7521 -2.7982 -68.0057 -11.4956 .0000	6550 .5004 0327 1710 .0000
6 6 6	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0 0	1. 38. 10. 1. 26.	.0132 .5000 .1316 .0132 .3421	4624 .4291 1199 0804 3465	-4.8047 .0000 -9.3295 -27.6273 -1.1739	5214 .4751 1208 0807 3693
7 7 7 7	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	11. 3. 1. 3. 58.	.1447 .0395 .0132 .0395 .7632	2591 2283 2236 0010 .2790	-4.0878 -7.6944 -9.9334 -1762.0211 -2.5682	2683 2345 2295 0010 .2905
8 8 8 8	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	12. 0. 16. 45. 3.	.1579 .0000 .2105 .5921 .0395	.2396 .0000 4194 .1673 0199	4.1863 .0000 -1.9186 -1.3928 -88.1008	.2468 .0000 4619 .1696 0199



TABLE 5. (CONTINUED)

 Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X 50	β
9999	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	19. 2. 2. 0. 53.	.2500 .0263 .0263 .0000 .6974	3405 0362 .2020 .0000 .2810	-1.9808 -53.4988 9.5929 .0000 -1.8393	3621 0362 .2063 .0000 .2928
10 10 10 10	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0 0	0. 75. 0. 1.	.0000 .9868 .0000 .0132 .0000	.0000 1106 .0000 .1106 .0000	.0000 20.0926 .0000 20.0926 .0000	.0000 1112 .0000 .1112 .0000
11 11 11 11	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0 0	27. 3. 30. 5.	.3553 .0395 .3947 .0658 .1447	.0066 .2074 .1153 4848 0108	56.0702 8.4712 2.3166 -3.1103 -97.8252	.0066 .2120 .1160 5543 0108
12 12 12 12 12	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	4. 14. 0. 10. 48.	.0526 .1842 .0000 .1316 .6316	0261 4646 .0000 1578 .4247	-62.0405 -1.9361 .0000 -7.0913 7912	0261 5246 .0000 1598 .4691
13 13 13 13 13	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0	34. 16. 3. 3. 20.	.4474 .2105 .0395 .0395 .2632	.3501 3019 0010 1336 1221	.3779 -2.6655 -1762.0211 -13.1494 -5.1877	.3738 3166 0010 1348 1231
14 14 14 14	1 2 3 4	0 0 1 0 0	1. 10. 61. 0. 4.	.0231 .1316 .8026 .0000 .0526	0327 3168 .3272 .0000 2065	-68.0057 -3.5323 -2.6013 .0000 -7.8442	0327 3340 .3462 .0000 2111
15 15 15 15 15	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	0. 11. 4. 47. 14.	.0000 .1447 .0526 .6184 .1842	.0000 4365 2666 .4696 1916	.0000 -2.4268 -6.0752 6418 -4.6951	.0000 4851 2767 .5318 1952
16 16 16 16	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1	5. 3. 5. 14. 49.	.0658 .0395 .0658 .1842 .6447	2072 1335 0305 4221 .4141	-7.2773 -13.1494 -49.3588 -2.1309 8964	2118 1348 0306 4656 .4549



TABLE 5. (CONTINUED)

Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X50	β
17 17 17 17 17	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	5. 9. 1. 60.	.0658 .1184 .0132 .7895 .0132	1694 2050 5578 .3746 7966	-8.9039 -5.7699 -3.9823 -2.1479 -2.7889	1718 2095 6721 .4040 -1.3176
18 18 18 18	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0	26. 0. 13. 15. 22.	.3421 .0000 .1711 .1974 .2895	.1284 .0000 .3757 1120 3261	3.1665 .0000 2.5285 -7.5979 -1.7019	.1295 .0000 .4054 1127 3449
19 19 19 19	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0	57. 11. 0. 7. 1.	.7500 .1447 .0000 .0921 .0132	.4015 1527 .0000 3694 9398	-1.6800 -6.9363 .0000 -3.5945 -2.3638	.4384 1545 .0000 3976 -2.7501
20 20 20 20 20	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	6. 62. 3. 4. 1.	.0789 .8158 .0395 .0526 .0132	1877 .5495 4557 6575 2714	-7.5240 -1.6369 -3.8556 -2.4637 -8.1859	1911 .6577 5119 8726 2820
21 21 21 21 21	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	3. 2. 1. 0. 70.	.0395 .0263 .0132 .0000	2852 .0697 2236 .0000 .1877	-6.1609 27.8193 -9.9334 .0000 -7.5240	2975 .0698 2295 .0000 .1911
22 22 22 22 22 22	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0 0	0. 67. 1. 0. 8.	.0000 .8816 .0132 .0000 .1053	.0000 .4902 4624 .0000 4475	.0000 -2.4129 -4.8047 .0000 -2.7982	.0000 .5625 5214 .0000 5004
23 23 23 23 23	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0 0	10. 4. 55. 6.	.1316 .0526 .7237 .0789 .0132	4758 1464 .4847 3194 .0628	-2.3519 -11.0667 -1.2253 -4.4219 35.3629	5409 1480 .5541 3370 .0629
24 24 24 24 24	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	0. 4. 61. 5. 6.	.0000 .0526 .8026 .0658 .0789	.0000 .0340 .1992 0936 3194	.0000 47.6124 -4.2716 -16.1029 -4.4219	.0000 .0340 .2033 0941 3370



TABLE 5. (CONTINUED)

Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X 50	β
25 25 25 25 25	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0	27. 1. 37. 1. 10.	.3553 .0132 .4868 .0132 .1316	1365 .1106 .2417 0804 2184	-2.7191 20.0926 .1365 -27.6273 -5.1244	1378 .1112 .2491 0807 2238
26 26 26 26 26	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	2. 70. 3. 1. 0.	.0263 .9211 .0395 .0132 .0000	.1755 .0450 1715 0804 .0000	11.0394 -31.3498 -10.2443 -27.6273 .0000	.1783 .0451 1741 0807 .0000
27 27 27 27 27	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	0. 2. 5. 67.	.0000 .0263 .0658 .8816 .0263	.0000 4598 1063 .2295 0627	.0000 -4.2151 -14.1906 -5.1551 -30.9104	.0000 5177 1069 .2358 0628
28 28 28 28 28	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	0. 0. 75. 1. 0.	.0000 .0000 .9868 .0132 .0000	.0000 .0000 .0327 0327 .0000	.0000 .0000 -68.0054 -68.0054 .0000	.0000 .0000 .0327 0327 .0000
29 29 29 29 29	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	7. 2. 23. 22. 22.	.0921 .0263 .3026 .2895 .2895	1446 0627 .1909 .1272 2411	-9.1844 -30.9104 2.7073 4.3610 -2.3019	1461 0628 .1945 .1283 2484
30 30 30 30 30	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0 0	56. 4. 3. -4. 9.	.7368 .0526 .0395 .0526 .1184	.4834 1614 4746 2967 3436	-1.3109 -10.0360 -3.7017 -5.4596 -3.4432	.5521 1635 5392 3107 3658
31 31 31 31	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0	54. 21. 1. 0.	.7105 .2763 .0132 .0000	.2694 1756 9875 .0000	-2.0598 -3.3814 -2.2496 .0000	.2797 1784 -6.2752 .0000
32 32 32 32 32	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	7. 66. 2. 1. 0.	.0921 .8684 .0263 .0132 .0000	2130 .4152 6451 4146 .0000	-6.2339 -2.6950 -3.0043 -5.3580 .0000	2180 .4564 8442 4556 .0000



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Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X 50	β
33 33 33 33	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	11. 5. 1. 59. 0.	.1447 .0658 .0132 .7763 .0000	4081 3460 4624 5113 .0000	-2.5955 -4.3580 -4.8047 -1.4861 .0000	4470 3688 5214 .5949 .0000
34 34 34 34 34	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	2. 43. 13. 14.	.0263 .0526 .5658 .1711 .1842	.1491 0562 .1789 .2041 4706	12.9997 -28.8357 9263 4.6549 -1.9112	.1508 0563 .1818 .2085 5334
35 35 35 35 35	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	0. 2. 61. 11. 2.	.0000 .0263 .8026 .1447 .0263	.0000 2745 .0946 0179 0892	.0000 -7.0608 -8.9994 -59.1027 -21.7339	.0000 2854 .0950 0179 0895
36 36 36 36 36	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0	72. 2. 0. 0. 2.	.9474 .0263 .0000 .0000	.7627 7774 .0000 .0000 5656	-2.1238 -2.4928 .0000 .0000 -3.4260	1.1793 -1.2360 .0000 .0000 6859
37 37 37 37 37	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	7. 2. 33. 28. 6.	.0921 .0263 .4342 .3684 .0789	1153 .0432 .3793 1934 4071	-11.5215 44.8699 .4368 -1.7373 -3.4685	1160 .0432 .4099 1971 4458
38 38 38 38 38	1 2 3 4 5	•	2. 0. 13. 2. 59.	.0263 .0000 .1711 .0263 .7763	4068 .0000 .0325 1156 .0791	-4.7636 .0000 29.2732 -16.7587 -9.6115	4453 .0000 .0325 1164 .0793
39 39 39 39	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0	50. 0. 2. 22. 2.	.6579 .0000 .0263 .2895 .0263	.2629 .0000 3804 1136 5656	-1.5470 .0000 -5.0951 -4.8859 -3.4260	.2725 .0000 4113 1143 6859
40 40 40 40	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	2. 34. 0. 38. 2.	.0263 .4474 .0000 .5000 .0263	0892 .4114 .0000 3522 2745	-21.7339 .3216 .0000 0000 -7.0608	0895 .4513 .0000 3763 2854



TABLE 5. (CONTINUED)

Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X 50	β
41 41 41 41 41	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0	67. 7. 1. 1.	.8816 .0921 .0132 .0132 .0000	.4821 4183 4624 3191 .0000	-2.4537 -3.1744 -4.8047 -6.9612 .0000	.5503 4605 5214 3367 .0000
42 42 42 42 42	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	19. 13. 2. 41.	.2500 .1711 .0263 .5395 .0132	0356 1646 3804 .1829 .1106	-18.9596 -5.7713 -5.0951 5420 20.0926	0356 1669 4113 .1860 .1112
43 43 43 43 43	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0 0	6. 0. 61. 1. 8.	.0789 .0000 .8026 .0132 .1053	0450 .0000 .1236 1759 1195	-31.3501 .0000 -6.8832 -12.6296 -10.4822	0451 .0000 .1246 1787 1203
44 44 44 44	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	5. 2. 1. 0. 68.	.0658 .0263 .0132 .0000 .8947	1189 1951 2236 .0000 .1904	-12.6844 -9.9355 -9.9334 .0000 -6.5771	1197 1989 2295 .0000 .1939
45 45 45 45 45	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0 1	1. 0. 2. 0. 73.	.0132 .0000 .0263 .0000 .9605	0327 .0000 3009 .0000 .2283	-68.0057 .0000 -6.4397 .0000 -7.6944	0327 .0000 3156 .0000 .2345
46 46 46 46	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1	2. 14. 2. 56.	.0263 .1842 .0263 .7368 .0263	7774 .0632 .1755 .1568 5127	-2.4928 14.2275 11.0394 -4.0416 -3.7798	-1.2360 .0633 .1783 .1587 5972
47 47 47 47 47	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	21. 48. 0. 5.	.2763 .6316 .0000 .0658 .0263	3205 .3305 .0000 1315 0098	-1.8529 -1.0168 .0000 -11.4672 -198.7105	3383 .3502 .0000 1326 0098
48 48 48 48	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	16. 12. 0. 45.	.2105 .1579 .0000 .5921 .0395	0277 .0923 .0000 .1964 -1.0619	-29.0648 10.8652 .0000 -1.1863 .0000	0277 .0927 .0000 .2003 .0000



TABLE 5. (CONTINUED)

Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X 50	β
49 49 49 49	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0 1	6. 0. 0. 4. 66.	.0789 .0000 .0000 .0526 .8684	1657 .0000 .0000 2215 .2259	-8.5202 .0000 .0000 -7.3119 -4.9527	1681 .0000 .0000 2272 .2319
50 50 50 50 50	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	9. 2. 57. 0. 8.	.1184 .0263 .7500 .0000 .1053	6043 5656 .7572 .0000 4741	-1.9574 -3.4260 8907 .0000 -2.6412	7585 6859 1.1594 .0000 5384
51 51 51 51 51	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	7. 4. 2. 11. 52.	.0921 .0526 .0263 .1447 .6842	.3735 2366 .1226 3797 .1200	3.5548 -6.8473 15.8065 -2.7895 -3.9963	.4027 2435 .1235 4105 .1209
52 52 52 52 52	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0	76. 0. 0. 0.	1.0000 .0000 .0000 .0000	.0000 .0000 .0000 .0000	.0000 .0000 .0000 .0000	.0000 .0000 .0000 .0000
53 53 53 53 53	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	1. 13. 2. 11. 49.	.0132 .1711 .0263 .1447 .6447	2236 5269 6186 .0743 .4357	-9.9334 -1.8029 -3.1328 14.2559 8518	2295 6200 7873 .0745 .4841
54 54 54 54 54	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	5. 9. 47. 2. 13.	.0658 .1184 .6184 .0263 .1711	4091 3761 .4992 8304 0502	-3.6859 -3.1448 6036 -2.3338 -18.9300	4483 4060 .5761 -1.4902 0502
55 55 55 55 55	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	5. 67. 1. 0. 3.	.0658 .8816 .0132 .0000 .0395	0558 .2865 .0151 .0000 5883	-27.0298 -4.1287 147.3452 .0000 -2.9865	0559 .2990 .0151 .0000 7274
56 56 56 56	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	7. 6. 55. 3. 5.	.0921 .0789 .7237 .0395 .0658	1153 1109 .4460 7588 3839	-11.5215 -12.7360 -1.3314 -2.3154 -3.9282	1160 1116 .4983 -1.1649 4157



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Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X50	β
57 57 57 57 57	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	17. 9. 11. 39. 0.	.2237 .1184 .1447 .5132 .0000	2195 2947 .2091 .1916 .0000	-3.4611 -4.0146 5.0659 1721 .0000	2250 3083 .2138 .1953 .0000
58 58 58 58 58	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	1. 3. 0. 70. 2.	.0132 .0395 .0000 .9211 .0263	4624 .1506 .0000 .2755 6186	-4.8047 11.6690 .0000 -5.1264 -3.1328	5214 .1523 .0000 .2866 7873
59 59 59 59	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	1. 0. 10. 48. 17.	.0132 .0000 .1316 .6316 .2237	9398 .0000 .0618 .4804 5437	-2.3638 .0000 18.1172 6995 -1.3975	-2.7501 .0000 .0619 .5478 6478
60 60 60 60	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0	68. 5. 0. 3.	.8947 .0658 .0000 .0395 .0000	1554 0558 .0000 .4158 .0000	8.0584 -27.0298 .0000 4.2255 .0000	1573 0559 .0000 .4572 .0000
61 61 61 61	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	10. 6. 1. 59.	.1316 .0789 .0132 .7763 .0000	4152 5278 .3493 .5167 .0000	-2.6950 -2.6754 6.3602 -1.4706 .0000	4564 6215 .3728 .6035 .0000
62 62 62 62 62	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0 0	55. 5. 14. 2. 0.	.7237 .0658 .1842 .0263 .0000	.0742 5605 .1663 .0432 .0000	-8.0019 -2.6902 5.4070 44.8699 .0000	.0744 6768 .1687 .0432 .0000
63 63 63 63	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	14. 8. 0. 10. 44.	.1842 .1053 .0000 .1316 .5789	.6153 0840 .0000 0669 3432	1.4619 -14.9081 .0000 -16.7153 .5805	.7805 0843 .0000 0671 3654
64 64 64 64	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	9. 26. 2. 37. 2.	.1184 .3421 .0263 .4868 .0263	1154 0958 4068 .1445 .4138	-10.2528 -4.2449 -4.7636 .2282 4.6834	1162 0963 4453 .1461 .4545



TABLE 5. (CONTINUED)

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Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X50	β
65 65 65 65	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	2. 60. 8. 6.	.0263 .7895 .1053 .0789	8039 .6488 3943 4510 .0000	-2.4107 -1.2402 -3.1757 -3.1310 .0000	-1.3516 .8526 4290 5054 .0000
66 66 66 66	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	2. 36. 4. 33.	.0263 .4737 .0526 .4342 .0132	1951 5624 0111 .6091 0804	-9.9355 1174 -146.2387 .2720 -27.6273	1989 6802 0111 .7681 0807
67 67 67 67	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0 0	1. 72. 3. 0. 0.	.0132 .9474 .0395 .0000	0327 .2817 3420 .0000	-68.0057 -5.7509 -5.1371 .0000	0327 .2936 3639 .0000
68 68 68 68	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	0. 70. 1. 0. 5.	.0000 .9211 .0132 .0000 .0658	.0000 .6156 4624 .0000 5858	.0000 -2.2939 -4.8047 .0000 -2.5743	.0000 .7812 5214 .0000 7227
69 69 69 69	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	7. 0. 3. 54. 12.	.0921 .0000 .0395 .7105 .1579	3499 .0000 3041 .3733 1822	-3.7953 .0000 -5.7771 -1.4866 -5.5062	3735 .0000 3192 .4024 1853
70 70 70 70 70	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0	5. 37. 15. 5.	.0658 .4868 .1974 .0658 .1842	.0325 .0190 .0915 .0956 1855	46.3367 1.7387 9.3004 15.7674 -4.8486	.0326 .0190 .0919 .0961 1888
71 71 71 71 71	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0	57. 16. 1. 2.	.7500 .2105 .0132 .0263 .0000	.6607 5369 9398 3804 .0000	-1.0209 -1.4987 -2.3638 -5.0951 .0000	.8801 6364 -2.7501 4113 .0000
72 72 72 72 72 72	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0	39. 2. 8. 0. 27.	.5132 .0263 .1053 .0000 .3553	.4428 6980 2968 .0000 2146	0745 -2.7764 -4.2193 .0000 -1.7298	.4938 9747 3108 .0000 2197



TABLE 5. (CONTINUED)

Item	Choice	Wt	NR.	Difficulty	R	X 50	β
73 73 73 73 73	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	0. 1. 67. 2. 6.	.0000 .0132 .8816 .0263 .0789	.0000 .1583 .4250 8039 2755	.0000 14.0329 -2.7830 -2.4107 -5.1264	.0000 .1603 .4696 -1.3516 2866
74 74 74 74 74	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	1. 6. 13. 55.	.0132 .0132 .0789 .1711 .7237	2236 4624 .0537 4825 .4122	-9.9334 -4.8047 26.2936 -1.9691 -1.4405	2295 5214 .0538 5508 .4525
75 75 75 75 75	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	10. 12. 44. 0. 10.	.1316 .1579 .5789 .0000 .1316	.1678 .0388 .2886 .0000 7407	6.6702 25.8790 6902 .0000 -1.5106	.1702 .0388 .3014 .0000
76 76 76 76 76	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0	68. 1. 4. 1.	.8947 .0132 .0526 .0132 .0132	.3234 0327 1313 1282 2236	-3.8722 -68.0057 -12.3333 -17.3348 -9.9334	.3417 0327 1325 1292 2295
77 77 77 77 77	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0 0	3. 68. 0. 5.	.0395 .8947 .0000 .0658 .0000	9861 .9528 .0000 6993 .0000	-1.7816 -1.3141 .0000 -2.1562 .0000	-5.9323 3.1388 .0000 9784 .0000
78 78 78 78 78	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0 0	48. 3. 1. 18. 6.	.6316 .0395 .0132 .2368 .0789	.1763 4935 9875 .1553 2645	-1.9061 -3.5596 -2.2496 4.6127 -5.3391	.1791 5675 -6.2752 .1572 2743
79 79 79 79 79	1 2 3 4 5	0 1 0 0 0	25. 41. 3. 7. 0.	.3289 .5395 .0395 .0921 .0000	2193 .3374 1715 2423 .0000	-2.0196 2937 -10.2443 -5.4794 .0000	2247 .3585 1741 2498 .0000
80 80 80 80	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	1. 2. 0. 55. 18.	.0132 .0263 .0000 .7237 .2368	9398 1421 .0000 .6730 5982	-2.3638 -13.6369 .0000 8824 -1.1978	-2.7501 1436 .0000 .9098 7465



TABLE 5. (CONTINUED)

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Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X50	β
81 81 81 81 81	1 2 3 4 5	1 0 0 0 0	56. 4. 1. 1.	.7368 .0526 .0132 .0132 .1842	.3003 4170 9875 4624 0156	-2.1102 -3.8849 -2.2496 - -4.8047 -57.4909	.3148 4587 ·6.2752 5214 0156
82 82 82 82 82	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	11. 3. 5. 54. 3.	.1447 .0395 .0658 .7105 .0395	1740 1715 4722 .3875 2094	-6.0878 -10.2443 -3.1934 -1.4322 -8.3905	1767 1741 5357 .4203 2141
83 83 83 83	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 0	0. 1. 4. 1. 70.	.0000 .0132 .0526 .0132 .9211	.0000 0327 4320 4624 .4291	.0000 -68.0057 -3.7497 -4.8047 -3.2911	.0000 0327 4790 5214 .4750
84 84 84 84	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	3. 2. 66. 0.	.0395 .0263 .8684 .0000 .0658	5125 0892 .3168 .0000 1441	-3.4280 -21.7339 -3.5323 .0000 -10.4631	5968 0895 .3340 .0000 1456
85 85 85 85	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0	0. 1. 75. 0.	.0000 .0132 .9868 .0000	.0000 4624 .4624 .0000	.0000 -4.8047 -4.8048 .0000	.0000 5214 .5214 .0000
86 86 86 86 86	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	4. 1. 2. 89.	.0526 .0132 .0263 .9079 .0000	7778 0804 0627 .5454 .0000	-2.0827 -27.6273 -30.9104 -2.4347 .0000	-1.2373 0807 0628 .6507 .0000
87 87 87 87	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 1 0 0	14. 2. 48. 8. 4.	.1842 .0263 .6316 .1053 .0526	0460 .0961 .4033 5095 4921	-19.5628 20.1590 8332 -2.4574 -3.2915	0460 .0966 .4407 5922 5653
88 88 88 88	1 2 3 4 5	0 0 0 1 0	0. 2. 1. 72.	.0000 .0263 .0132 .9474 .0132	.0000 4598 3191 .3117 .1583	.0000 -4.2151 -6.9612 -5.1963 14.0329	.0000 5177 3367 .3281 .1603



TABLE 5. (CONTINUED)

Item	Choice	Wt	NR	Difficulty	R	X 50	β
89	1	1	45.	.5921	.4418	5273	.4925
89	2	Ō	15.	. 1974	4202	-2.0254	4631
89	3	Ŏ	4.	.0526	0712	-22.7482	0714
89	4	Ŏ	11.	. 1447	0889	-11.9199	0892
89	5	Ŏ	1.	.0132	7966	-2.7889	-1.3176
90	1	0	12.	.1579	0215	-46.6671	0215
90	2	Ŏ	4.	.0526	6274	-2.5818	8058
90	3	ì	24.	.3158	1699	-2.8216	1725
90	4	ō	22.	.2895	.5381	1.0313	.6383
90	5	Ŏ	14.	. 1842	1916	-4.6951	1952

APPENDIX C

EVALUATION INSTRUMENT
PART I, PART II, AND KEY

PART I

Instructions for taking this test:

- 1. Read the test items carefully and attempt to answer all of them.
- 2. Choose the best answer for each item and write the letter of your choice in the space provided on your answer sheet.
- 3. Try to make your choice final so that you don't have to change it. If you do have to change an answer make a heavy X through your previous choice. Questions with more than one answer will be marked wrong.
- 4. You will have the whole period in which to do this test.
- 5. DO NOT WRITE IN THIS TEST BOOKLET.
- 6. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.
- 7. CHOOSE ONLY ONE ANSWER FOR EACH ITEM.

Part I - Test

- 1. Galileo, the beneficiary of wealthy patrons, contributed much to science. Which of the following was one of his contributions?
 - a. He made a marine chronometer for ships which is used
 - b. He invented a method for pumping water from coal mines.
 - c. He invented a lamp for mines which did not cause coal gas explosions.
 - d. He advocated the formation of university research studies.
 - e. He presented ideas that cast doubt on Aristotle as the final authority in science.
- 2. Technological activities resulting in inventions such as the telescope are
 - a. not scientific in method or design.
 - b. unimportant for science and scientists.
 - c. motivated by the desire to produce a specific product.
 - d. not practiced by scientists in the United States.
 - e. unorganized groping for tools by craftsmen.
- 3. Until the 17th Century, scientific and social thought was dominated by the ideas of the
 - a. Egyptians.
- b. Mesopotamians. c. Greeks.
 d. Romans.
- e. Christians.
 - 4. What method would Plato have used to explain phenomena in nature?
 - a. Perform a series of laboratory experiments.
 - b. Make extensive measurements and calculations.
 - c. Read available reports of other scientists.
 - d. Sit down and think.
 - e. Get the opinion of Aristotle and Archimedes.



- 5. Which of the following ideas was an important part of the philosophy of Thales?
 - a. The universe was a sphere.
 - b. A fundamental substance in nature was water.
 - c. Natural processes were dependent upon supernatural spirits.
 - d. Air was the primary substance in nature.
 - e. Only animal matter was capable of life.
- 6. Aristotle's concept of the nature of matter led
 - a. to the discovery of the electron.
 - b. alchemists to believe that lead could be changed into gold.
 - c. to the adoption of the phlogiston theory.
 - d. to the discovery of the proton.
 - e. none of the above.
- 7. The development of the procedures that led to the release of atomic energy is the result of the labors of
 - a. the "Fermi Five" scientists.
 - b. United States and British scientists.
 - c. several refugees from Germany.
 - d. United States and German scientists.
 - e. scientists from many countries.
- 8. If science had its historical roots in the technical and spiritual traditions, then science may be best described
 - a. an organized body of knowledge.
 - b. an unchanging quest for personal power.
 - c. a collection of facts and superstitions.
 - d. an organized social activity.
 - e. a special activity for a select few.
- 9. Unexpected but fortunate discoveries often play an important part in scientific investigations. An example of an unexpected discovery is
 - a. Roentgen's discovery of the x-ray.
 - b. Becquerel's discovery of radioactivity.
 - c. the Curies' discovery of radium.
 - d. the discovery of nuclear fission.
 - e. all of the above.



- 10. Compared to the early scientist, the scientist of today
 - a. is more serious.
 - b. has more background knowledge.
 - c. is more intelligent.
 - d. has more imagination.
 - e. is more superstitious.
- 11. The change in scientific inquiry during the 17th Century could best be described as follows:
 - a. Observations were distorted to fit "self-evident truths."
 - b. Facts were interpreted according to authority.
 - c. Theories were formulated to be consistent with observations.
 - d. "Self-evident truths" resulted in accurate observations.
 - e. None of the above.
- 12. During Medieval times Arab scientists such as al-Kindi were patronized by Arab leaders who wanted
 - a. the secret of making paper.
 - b. to produce brass cannons.
 - c. better methods of making glass.
 - d. a cure for desert disease.
 - e. to gather scientific knowledge.
- 13. Thales' theory about water being a primordal substance is an example of a(n)
 - a. incorrect conclusion based upon direct observations.
 - b. early Egyptian scientific thought.
 - c. early Roman scientific thought.
 - d. correct conclusion based upon indirect observations.
 - e. belief about nature based upon superstitions.
- 14. The results of scientific research
 - -a. may be kept secret if a scientists desires.
 - b. should be kept secret until all consequences are known.
 - c. should be made available to other scientists.
 - d. rarely need future revision.
 - e. should be cleared for publication by governmental agencies.

- 15. There was very little progress in the development of new ideas of the nature of matter during Medieval times. One explanation is that most Medieval scientists were members of religious orders and
 - a. could not read or understand Latin.
 - b. were not permitted to study nature.
 - c. were concerned with the study of the Islamic religion. d. were advocates of Aristotle's ideas.

 - e. none of the above.
- 16. Which of the following countries gave the least support to basic scientific research prior to World War II?
 - a. England.
 - b. Germany.
 - c. Italy.
 - d. The Soviet Union.
 - e. The United States.
- 17. Complete the following to best describe the history of the concept of the atom. The atom has been visualized
 - a. as a solid sphere.
 - b. as a miniature solar system.
 - c. as a mathematical model.
 - d. differently by different societies.
 - e. None of the above is correct.
- 18. Which of the following best explains why empirical science first flourished in Italy, France, and England?
 - a. Empirical science requires financial support.
 - b. These countries had a greater number of intelligent
 - c. Empirical science was more popular in these countries.
 - d. These countries had a very strong scientific organization.
 - e. Technology was discouraged while empirical science was encouraged.
- 19. Which of the following encouraged controlled nuclear assistance to developing nations?
 - a. Atoms for Peace.
 - b. Atomic Energy Act.
 - c. Marshall Plan.
 - d. Baruch Plan.e. Truman Doctrine.



- 20. Social techniques are needed to insure that
 - a. radioactive fallout does not exceed a certain maximum.
 - b. decisions made by politicians with the aid of a few scientists will reflect the needs of society.
 - c. scientific patents become part of the national scientific society.
 - d. the secrets of atomic energy do not become public knowledge.
 - e. science and society do not become interrelated.
- 21. Which of the following represents an example of the interrelationship of scientists and society?
 - a. Some scientists had to rely on the patronage of wealthy benefactors.
 - b. Some scientists were priestly scribes who helped manage the lives of their people.
 - c. Some scientists have been members of university faculties.
 - d. Some scientists have been private tutors to students interested in science.
 - e. All the choices represent examples of the interrelationship of science and society.
- 22. One reason why scientists cannot take a "neutral" position toward the results of their work is
 - a. they must apply for patents in order to receive credit for their work.
 - b. their scientific discoveries could have consequences for society.
 - c. scientists are more intelligent than most people.
 - d. society wants scientists to become political leaders.
 - e. not related to any of the above choices.
- 23. Which country could benefit from a well-established scientific community?
 - a. The Soviet Union.
 - b. England.
 - c. Brazil.
 - d. Norway.
 - e. Canada.
- 24. Active participation of scientists in United States politics is
 - a. a myth encouraged by scientists.
 - b. the result of the drafting of scientists during World War II.
 - c. primarily due to the development of atomic energy.
 - d. based on the need for intelligent advisors.
 - e. encouraged by the military who desire the advice of scientists.

- 25. Which of the following is the predictive science practiced by Mesopotamian scribes?
 - a. Calendar development.
 - b. Surgical medicine.
 - c. Astrological forecasting.
 - d. Development of geometry.
 - e. Magical horoscopes.
- 26. Which of the following best describes the relationship between theoretical science and the U.S. government before 1939?
 - a. The U.S. government provided large sums of money for university science research.
 - b. The U.S. government did not have a regular program for supporting university science.
 - c. U.S. scientists were represented by a special advisor to the President.
 - d. U.S. scientists were represented in the U.S. Congress by a special delegation.
 - e. The U.S. government promoted research by awarding contracts to deserving scientists.
- 27. Prior to World War II, Central Europe witnessed a period of political instability and intolernace which resulted in
 - a. the development of strong scientific societies.
 - b. the encouragement of theoretical science. c. the decline of technology.

 - d. the migration of scientists to other countries.
 - e. no noticeable change in European science.
- 28. One of the largest integrated science and technological endeavors directed by the U.S. Army Engineers was known as the
 - a. St. Lawrence Seaway Project.
- c. Manhattan Project.
- b. Project Mohole.c. Manhattan Project.d. Cape Kennedy Space Program.e. Lewis and Clark Expedition.
- 29. During which century did scientific developments begin to have practical and therefore economic consequences for people?
 - a. 15th.
 - b. 16th.
 - c. 17th.
 - d. 18th.
 - e. 19th.



- 30. An example of society's intolerance of science and the scientist was the condemnation of
 - a. Galileo for defending the heliocentric concept of the universe.
 - b. Dalton for proposing the concept of the atom.
 - c. Aristotle for establishing the concept of final cause.
 - d. Rutherford for being the first scientist to
 - artificially produce an element.
 e. Society has not been intolerant of science and scientists.
- 31. The solar system model of the atom--an atom with a positive nucleus surrounded by negatively charged electrons--was formulated by
 - a. Ernest Rutherford.
 - b. Niels Bohr.
 - c. Enrico Fermi.
 - d. Galileo Galilei.
 - e. Albert Einstein.
- 32. Uranium-235 and uranium-238 isotopes differ in mass because
 - a. U-238 has more protons than U-235.
 - b. U-238 has more neutrons than U-235.
 - c. U-238 has more electrons than U-235.
 - d. All of the above are correct.
 - e. None of the above are correct.
- 33. The explosion of an atom bomb produces energy in the form of
 - a. thermal (heat) radiation.
 - b. gamma radiation.
 - c. rapidly moving fragments.
 - d. all of the above.
 - e. none of the above.
- 34. Which of the following describes a difference between nuclear and chemical reactions?
 - a. There is no difference between the two.
 - b. Chemical reactions result in new atoms but nuclear reactions do not.
 - c. Nuclear reactions result in new atoms but chemical reactions do not.
 - d. Chemical reactions involve electrons but nuclear reactions do not.
 - e. None of the above are correct.



- 35. Atomic energy, one of the biggest scientific, technological, and business enterprises of the United States,
 - a. is of little value to society.
 - b. has had little influence on industry.
 - c. developed from discoveries in basic research.
 - d. is mainly an instrument of the military.
 - e. all of the above are correct.
- 36. Nuclear changes may be brought about by
 - a. penetrating the atomic nucleus with particles.
 - b. subjecting the atomic nucleus to extremely high pressure.
 - c. placing the atomic nucleus in highly concentrated acid.
 - d. subjecting the atomic nucleus to extremely low temperature.
 - e. all of the above.
- 37. A nuclear fission reaction could be represented by the following:

Which of the following is a nuclear fusion reaction?

a.
$$_{2}^{4}$$
 He + $_{7}^{1}$ N $\xrightarrow{}$ 0 + $_{1}^{1}$ H

b.
$$\stackrel{30}{\stackrel{\text{p}}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{30}{\stackrel{\text{si}}{\longrightarrow}} + \stackrel{0}{\stackrel{\text{16}}{\longrightarrow}}$$

e.
$$\stackrel{239}{\text{Np}} \xrightarrow{} \stackrel{239}{\xrightarrow{}} \stackrel{0}{\text{Pu}} + \stackrel{0}{-} 1^{\text{e}}$$

- 38. The use of the neutron to bombard the nucleus ultimately led to the discovery of
 - a. x-rays.
 - b. radium.
 - c. artificial radioactivity.
 - d. the nucleus.
 - e. nuclear fission.
- 39. Radioisotopes are used in medicine and industry as
 - a. tracers.
 - b. sources of electricity.
 - c. sources of light.
 - d. all of the above.
 - e. none of the above.
- 40. The world is faced with a problem of the safe disposal of radioactive waste materials because
 - a. radioactive fallout cannot be removed from the atmosphere.
 - b. radioactive materials cannot be neutralized by any known process.
 - c. the wastes are at a dangerous limit.
 - d. all of the above.
 - e. none of the above.
- 41. If radioactive substance "A" has a half-life of 10 years, how much of a 1 gram sample of "A" will remain after 20 years?
 - a. .25 grams.
 - b. .5 grams.
 - c. 1 gram.
 - d. 2 grams.
 - e. 4 grams.
- 42. The mass that is apparently lost when a nucleus splits appears as
 - a. neutrons.
 - b. radioactive particles.
 - c. electrons.
 - d. energy.
 - e. none of the above.

- 43. The necessity for control of all aspects of atomic energy is based upon the fact that
 - a. fissionable materials can explode during production.
 - b. technology for producing fissionable material is a military secret.
 - c. fissionable material for peaceful and military purposes have the same source.
 - d. scientists cannot be trusted with this knowledge.
 - e. none of the above.
- 44. A nuclear power reactor would be useful in which of the following countries?
 - a. India.
 - b. Brazil.
 - c. Egypt.
 - d. Italy.
 - e. All of the above.
- 45. The greatest problem in the utilization of radioactive materials is the
 - a. danger of an explosion of U-235. b. mining of pitchblende.

 - c. separation of U-235 from graphite.
 - d. packaging of reactor fuel. e. radiation hazard to people.

Part I - Answer Sheet

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4	d		19 <u>a</u>	34 <u>c</u>	-
5	b		20 <u>b</u>	35 <u>c</u>	-
6	b		21 <u>e</u>	36 <u>a</u>	_
7	e		22 <u>b</u>	37 <u> </u>	-
	d		23 <u>c</u>	38 <u>e</u>	_
9	e		24 <u>c</u>	39 <u>a</u>	_
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Part I - Answer Sheet

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PART II

Instructions for taking this test:

- 1. Read the test items carefully and attempt to answer all of them.
- 2. Choose the best answer for each item and write the letter of your choice in the space provided on your answer sheet.
- 3. Try to make your choice final so that you don't have to change it. If you do have to change an answer make a heavy X through your previous choice. Questions with more than one answer will be marked wrong.
- 4. You will have the whole period in which to do this test.
- 5. DO NOT WRITE IN THIS TEST BOOKLET.
- 6. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.
- 7. CHOOSE ONLY ONE ANSWER FOR EACH ITEM.



Part II - Test

- 46. Early scientists relied on magic as well as science. Which of the following best describes the characteristics of science?
 - a. It deals with the control of the supernatural.
 - b. It is an attempt to control natural phenomenon which man cannot control.
 - c. It is taught through mysterious initiations and myths.
 - d. It is a form of activity guided by reason and corrected by observation.
 - e. It is handed on from father to son or other similar relationships.
- 47. Science based upon direct or indirect observation is called
 - a. theoretical science.
 - b. empirical science.
 - c. technological science.
 - d. research science.
 - e. applied science.
- 48. The modern atomic theory used to explain certain regularities that existed in the interactions of matter was suggested by
 - a. Niels Bohr.
 - b. Frnest Rutherford.
- ware. Albert Einstein.

 - d. John Dalton. e. Enrico Fermi.



- 49. Which of the following statements concerning scientific method is the most accurate?
 - a. The scientific method consists of seven steps that are followed by scientists.
 - b. Modern scientific method is more observational than experimental.
 - c. Use of the scientific method guarantees success in those instances where it is used.
 - d. Most research scientists do not follow any sort of scientific method.
 - e. There are many different scientific methods used by scientists.
- 50. Who were responsible for the primary discoveries that led to the harnessing of atomic energy?
 - a. The Atomic Energy Commission.
 - b. A team of Norwegian scientists with the aid of British scientists.
 - c. A few scientists, refugees of Italy and Germany.
 - d. A team of British-trained Canadian scientists.
 - e. Albert Einstein, Thomas Graham, and John Dalton.
- 51. Which of the following best describes how Francis Bacon would have studied nature?
 - a. Make extensive measurements and calculations.
 - b. Read available reports of other scientists.
 - c. Get the opinion of mathematicians.
 - d. Sit, think, and draw diagrams.
 - e. Make observations and recordings of factual evidence.
- 52. Empedocles proposed the idea that all matter was produced by the union of four elements which were
- a. water, air, earth, and fire.
- b. bile, blood, ether, and form.
- c. quicksilver, sulfur, salt, and gases.
 - d. gold, silver, copper, and bronze.
 - e. none of the above.
 - 53. Aristotle believed that matter was
 - a. composed of special spirits.
 - b. composed of water.
 - c. unreal and invisible.
 - d. discontinuous and made of atoms.
 - e. continuous and infinitely divisible.



- 54. Plato and Aristotle abandoned the effort to use physical forces to explain physical phenomena. effect did this have on the advance of physical science?
 - a. They stimulated the advance of physical science.
 - b. They transformed physical science into alchemy.
 - c. They delayed the advance of physical science.
 - d. They had no effect on the advance of physical
 - e. They made physical science more empirical.
- 55. Which of the following is the best description of scientists?
 - a. It is easy to divide scientists into separate categories.
 - b. It is difficult to divide scientists into separate categories.
 - c. Scientists are anti-social.
 - d. Scientists usually keep the results of their work secret.
 - e. Scientists believe that certain natural phenomena will never be understood.
- 56. Alchemy was

 - a. developed by the early Christians. b. promoted by 3rd Century (A.D.) universities.
 - c. derived from Greek Alexandrian science.
 - d. prohibited by the Pharoahs of Egypt.
 - e. not part of the advance of science.
- 57. One of the first atomic theories suggested that matter was composed of eternally moving indestructible atoms. It was proposed by
 - a. Dalton and Thomson.
 - b. Rutherford and Bohr.
 - c. Aristotle and Plato.
 - d. Leucippus and Democritus.
 - e. Cicero and Galen.
- 58. Which of the following is the most crucial test of the validity of a scientists' experimental findings?
 - a. It is in agreement with the ideas of Plato.
 - b. It can be analyzed mathematically.
 - c. It can be published in a scientific journal.
 - d. It can be repeated by other scientists.
 - e. It produces some useful product.



- 59. Before the 17th Century most scientists developed generalizations about nature
 - a. from experiments and calculations.
 - b. by using the scientific method.

 - c. by using the methods of Socrates.d. by developing mental images for deductive reasoning.
 - e. by inductive reasoning and experimentation.
- 60. The Arabs made their greatest contribution to science during the Middle Ages by
 - a. translating and preserving the works of Greek scientists.
 - b. developing the science of mechanics.
 - c. formulating the modern atomic theory.
 - d. founding the first universities.
 - e. developing a secret method for making gold.
- 61. Early Egyptian scientists (about 2500 B.C.) practiced the following applied science or technology.
 - a. Liver divining and horoscoping.
 - b. Experimentation and astrology.
 - c. Domestication and harispucy.
 - d. Medicine and surveying.
 - e. Antisepsis and biogenesis.
- 62. What is the significance of December 6, 1941?
 - a. It marked a change in attitude among U.S. scientists and politicians about national support of research science.
 - b. It was the day Japan attacked Pearl Harbor and the U.S. government drafted all university scientists.
 - c. It was the day that the first nuclear reactor went critical at the University of Chicago.
 - d. It was the day that the construction of Oak Ridge was begun.
 - e. The events of this day are still top secret so most U.S. citizens do not know the significance of this day. en en 1920 en 1922 en 1935 de la Carlo de Carlo La carlo de Carlo de
- 63. Science is important in
 - a. giving a complete picture of the universe.
 - b. establishing the international political position of a country.
 - c. improving the political position of scientists.
 - d. increasing the intelligence of people.
 - e. all of the above.



- 64. Scientists during the Middle Ages were inspired to use scientific inquiry for
 - a. personal financial purposes.
 - b. religious and economic purposes.

 - c. military and political purposes.d. astrological and alchemical purposes.
 - e. physical and chemical purposes.
- 65. Which of the following inventions had a great influence on the advance of science during the late Middle Ages (about A.D. 1500)?
 - a. Toricelli's barometer.
 - b. Gutenberg's printing press.
 - c. Galileo's telescope.
 - d. Van Leeuwenhoek's microscope.
 - e. Fahrenheit's thermometer.
- 66. Which of the following may have been factors that contributed to the rise of theoretical science in Ancient Greece (around 600 B.C.)?
 - a. The printing press was developed to replace the scribes.
 - b. Theoretical science became an activity of craftsmen and priests.
 - c. Influence by other foreign countries was prevented by a strong central government.
 - d. There was a simple political structure and much commercial travel.
 - e. Precise scientific equipment and techniques were developed.
- 67. Which of the following is an accurate description of the influence of science and technology on society?
 - a. Science and technology have not been important in the social development of many countries.
 - b. The products of <u>science and technology</u> have been important in the <u>social development</u> of many countries.
 - c. Social development does not determine the course of science and technology.
 d. Only technology has an influence on society.
 - e. Only science has an influence on society.
- 68. Science in Ancient Greece (500 B.C.) developed
 - a. without regard to the nature of the universe.
 - b. as an intellectual activity of the leisure class.
 - c. on the basis of induction and experimentation.
 - d. for personal and financial gain.
 - e. as a practical activity of the craftsmen.



- 69. The Romans failed to carry on the Greek scientific tradition. One reason for this failure was that the
 - a. Romans had no need for scientific accomplishments.
 - b. Romans were not intelligent enough to continue the tradition.
 - c. Greeks were interested in practical science and the Romans in theoretical science.
 - d. Romans were interested in applied science rather than pure science.
 - e. control of the Roman government was more rigid than Greek government.
- 70. In the late Middle Ages, scientific activity was most closely associated with the
 - a. academy.
 - b. university.
 - c. scientific society.
 - d. lyceum.
 - e. craftsman guild.
- 71. The principal goal of the U.S. for developing nuclear energy during World War II was
 - a. to deter Hitler from using it as a weapon.
 - b. to bring the war to an early conclusion.
 - c. to gain a cheap source of electric power.
 - d. to advance the frontiers of scientific inquiry.
 - e. to make scientists part of the war effort.
- 72. German science began to decline when Hitler gained political control largely because the Nazi's
 - a. ideals opposed many scientific ideals. b. jailed most of the leading scientists.

 - c. prohibited most scientific activities.
 - d. favored religious groups over scientific groups.
 - e. removed all Jewish scientists from German universities.
- 73. Complete the following to best describe the attitude of society toward science in the 20th Century. Society has realized that science is a
 - a. threat to freedom and has discouraged the pursuit of science.
 - b. threat to freedom but encourages the pursuit of science anyway.
 - c. national resource and has promoted its development.
 - d. All of the above.
 - e. None of the above.



- 74. The first U.N. Geneva Conference for the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy was a historic event because it was the
 - a. meeting of diplomats to view a new reactor at Geneva.
 - b. last time that scientists had any international influence.
 - c. day that marked a change in diplomatic negotiations.
 - d. meeting at which science and technology signed a truce.
 - e. first time diplomats sat together with scientists from various countries.
- 75. Which country was the first to develop industrial and political strength by nationalizing science?
 - a. England.
 - b. France.
 - c. Germany.
 - d. The Soviet Union.
 - e. The United States.
- 76. Ionizing radiations cause mutations
 - a. other than those in nature.
 - b. which are all desirable.
 - c. which are all undesirable.
 - d. in plants but not in animals.
 - e. in animals but not in plants.
- 77. Which of the following best completes this statement?
 A nuclear chain reaction
 - a. can only be very rapid.
 - b. can be slowed to a controlled rate.
 - c. cannot be slowed for useful control.
 - d. can be controlled by adding neutrons.
 - e. can be controlled by using high temperature reactors.
- 78. According to Aristotle, water could be changed into
 - a. air, fire, or earth.
 - b. iron, gold, or silver.
 - c. wood, clay, or rock.
 - d. all of the above.
 - e. none of the above.

- 79. Scientists realized that radioactive materials could be a source of electric power because when they decay
 - a. electrons are released.
 - b. heat energy is released.
 - c. light energy is released.
 - d. binding energy is released.
 - e. electrons are absorbed.
- 80. Radioactivity
 - a. increases with an increase in temperature.
 - b. increases when the element is in solution.
 - c. decreases with an increase in pressure.
 - d. is essentially independent of external influences.
 - e. is not described by any of the above.
- 81. Which of the following is a necessary condition for a nuclear chain reaction?
 - a. Neutrons released must exceed neutrons absorbed.
 - b. Neutrons released must exceed protons absorbed.
 - c. Protons released must equal protons absorbed.
 - d. Electrons must equal neutrons.
 - e. None of the above are necessary.
- 82. Which of the following best describes the Atomic Energy Commission?
 - a. A government agency.
 - b. A non-military agency.
 - c. A profit-free agency.
 - d. All of the above.
 - e. None of the above.
- 83. The minimum quantity of uranium-235 necessary to sustain a chain reaction is known as the
 - a. least square.
 - b. minimum ratio.
 - .c. k factor.
 - d. reaction barrier.
 - e. critical mass.
- 84. Complete the following to best describe the present status of nuclear power plants. Nuclear power plants are
 - a. being used more than power plants using fossil fuel.
 - b. more dependent upon geography than other power plants.
 - c. more costly to build because they must include many safety devices.
 - d. the main source of electricity in Europe and the Soviet Union.
 - e. being built by many countries because these countries are concerned about air pollution.



85. A useful reactor control rod

- a. cools the reactor core if the reactor becomes too hot.
- b. removes part of the fissionable material when the reactor exceeds a set limit.
- c. decreases the rate of nuclear fission by absorbing neutrons.
- d. shields workers from excess radiation.
- e. decreases the rate of nuclear fission by emitting neutrons.
- 86. When the nucleus of a uranium-235 atom is penetrated by a neutron, which of the following may occur?
 - a. The nucleus splits.
 - b. Neutrons are emitted.
 - c. Energy is released.d. All of the above.

 - e. None of the above.
- 87. When a charged particle penetrates the nucleus of an atom the result is the formation of a
 - a. heavier form of the original element.
 - b. lighter form of the original element.
 - c. different element.
 - d. split nucleus.
 - e. none of the above.
- 88. An atomic pile can be described as a(n)
 - a. building where electricity is produced.
 - b. unexploded atom bomb.
 - c. place where atomic fuel is stored.
 - d. assemblage of fissionable material and a moderator.
 - e. none of the above.
- 89. Radioisotopes produced during nuclear fission have half-lives that
 - d. vary over a wide range.
 - b. are short.
 - c. are approximately equal.
 - d. are long.
 - e. are prolonged by heating.
- 90. If a quantity of radioactive iodine enters the human body what factors will determine where it will be deposited in the body?
 - a. The amount of radioactive iodine entering the body.
 - b. The intensity of radiation of the iodine.
 - c. The chemical properties of the iodine.
 - d. The biological properties of the iodine.
 - e. The nature of the radiation emitted by the iodine.



PROJECT EVALUATION INSTRUMENT Part II - Answer Sheet

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55	b	70	<u> </u>		С
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57	<u>d</u>	72	a_	87 _	С_
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Part II - Answer Mont.

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60	75		90



APPENDIX D

STUDENT RESPONSE QUESTIONNAIRE



STUDENT RESPONSE QUESTIONNAIRE

To the student: Now that you are completing a unit utilizing the socio-historical approach you can help to evaluate this unit by responding to the following items. This is not a test but an opportunity to answer some questions about this approach to teaching science and science related materials. CHECK ONE RESPONSE FOR EACH INQUIRY.

General Questions

Name	Period
How many years of each of the high school?	following have you taken in
a. Science years b. Social science y	years
On the average, how much time chapter?	e did you spend reading each
Less than ½ hour ½ hour 1 hour 2 or more hours	
What was the maximum amount o one chapter?	f time you spent reading any
Less than ½ hour ½ hour 1 hour 1½ hours 2 or more hours	



To what extent did you read each of the chapters? (Check one for each chapter.)

Chapter	all	most	some	none
1 2				
2 3 4				
4 5 6				
7				
8 9 10				
11				
12				

Personal Opinions

When befor	compared to most <u>science</u> materials you have read e, the reading material for this unit is:
	much more difficult somewhat more difficult about the same difficulty somewhat easier much easier
When read	compared to most <u>social science</u> materials you have before, this reading material is:
	much more difficult somewhat more difficult about the same difficulty somewhat easier much easier
When	compared to other science materials, this unit is:
	much less interesting somewhat less interesting about the same somewhat more interesting much more interesting



When is:	compared to other <u>social</u> <u>science</u> materials, this unit
	much less interesting somewhat less interesting about the same somewhat more interesting much more interesting
What	effect has this unit had on your interest in science?
	increased interest greatly increased interest somewhat no change
	decreased interest somewhat decreased interest greatly
Which	n chapter was
	a. most interesting to you? b. least interesting to you?
List (Use	the following items in the order of interest to you. I for most interesting and 5 for least interesting.)
	scientific explanations discussion of history
	biographies of scientists
	discussion of social implications
Whic to b	h of the following do you think would have helped you etter understand the material in this unit?
	more class discussion more lecture-explanation more slides and movies more recitation-drill more reading



Who would benefit from science instruction utilizing this type of approach?
students interested in a career in science students not interested in a career in science all students regardless of interest no high school students
If you had more time would you have read more about science and its relation to society?
yes no
If a course utilizing the socio-historical approach were offered would you be interested in taking it?
yes no
What effect has this unit had on your understanding of the interrelationship between science and society?
increased my understanding greatly increased my understanding a little it has not improved my understanding it has confused me
What effect has this unit had on your understanding of science and scientists?
increased my understanding greatly increased my understanding a little it has not improved my understanding it has confused me
What effect has this unit had on your understanding of the atom and atomic energy?
increased my understanding greatly increased my understanding a little it has not improved my understanding it has confused me



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